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‘Stellar’ economic growth

Ontario’s “stellar” first-quarter economic growth means last year’s deficit may actually be smaller than the projected $21.3 billion, the finance minister said yesterday.

The province’s economic update for the first quarter shows the economy was stronger than expected for the year ending March 31, Dwight Duncan said.

“That ($23.1 billion) was based on, again, a number of assumptions and with the information we’re putting out today we know that things performed better than we assumed,” he said.

The update also shows Ontario’s real GDP increased 1.5 per cent during the quarter and consumer spending rose 0.6 per cent. The manufacturing and construction sector posted gains of 4.7 per cent and 3.5 per cent, respectively.

Ontario saw annualized growth of 6.2 per cent during the first quarter, which is the third quarter in a row of growth.

“What we’re seeing now is stellar growth,” Duncan said.

“We’re looking forward to continued good performance in the coming quarters.”

Ontario is still facing challenges, Duncan said, but the province’s first-quarter growth was double that of the United States.

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▶ Finance Minister Dwight Duncan

Heat wave, AC use stretch power grid

Sauna-like heat affecting millions throughout Ontario and Quebec
Power consumption spikes early

Ontario residents cranking up their air conditioners to cope with another day of sticky heat put heavy pressure on the power grid.

Power consumption in the province surpassed the expected peak of 24,600 megawatts at 1 p.m. yesterday, four hours earlier than expected.

Ontario’s electricity operator said the system was able to handle the demand.

Millions of people in Ontario and Quebec are coping with scorching heat that reached the mid-30s, and felt like the mid-40s with the humidity.

The sauna-like heat had workers in Toronto running for cover to air conditioned buildings.

The City of Toronto cancelled some asphalt and paving projects for the day for the safety of construction workers.

“We waste a huge amount of energy and we just have to stop doing that.”
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Yesterday’s expected peak power consumption was about 700 megawatts shy of making the top 20 list of highest consumption days Ontario has ever seen. The record in Ontario is 27,005 megawatts.

Environment Canada said residents will get a short reprieve from the sky high temperatures during a thunderstorm Friday, but the mercury will quickly climb again on the weekend. It said early forecasts show heat could envelop Ontario until August.

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▶ Children beat the heat in a public pool yesterday.

Wrongfully convicted man sues

A man sent to jail for a crime notorious sex killer Paul Bernardo later confessed to has filed a $1.1-million lawsuit, claiming his wrongful conviction destroyed his reputation and ended his marriage.

Anthony Hanemaayer, 42, is suing police, the Ontario government and his former lawyer, citing negligence on the part of the lawyer and police.

16 The time in months that Hanemaayer spent in jail after his lawyer urged him to plead guilty to spare a six-year sentence.

In 2008, the Ontario Court of Appeal wiped Hanemaayer’s record clean, calling the conviction “profoundly regrettable” and a “miscarriage of justice.”

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▶ Anthony Hanemaayer

News in brief

Shooting victim ID’d

CAR WASH. Toronto police have identified a man who died after being shot at an east-end car wash.

Police say Emad Rozik, 49, of Toronto, was found with trauma to his body when officers responded to a call about a shooting Tuesday afternoon.

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Missing men found healthy

ALGONQUIN PARK. Police say a father and son who went missing in Algonquin Provincial Park have been checked at a hospital and appear to be OK.

The Toronto men were reported missing Monday after failing to return from a four-day canoeing trip. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Amputee claims G20 cops told him to 'hop'

Many G20 detainees have claimed police used excessive force 700 people released without charges

A 57-year-old amputee says he was told to "hop" after his prosthetic leg was ripped off by a police officer during a G20 protest.

John Pruyn of Thorold, Ont., was protesting near the Ontario legislature June 26 when police in riot gear tried to clear the area. The above-the-knee amputee says he was "kicked and punched" by officers and detained for more than a day while sitting in a wheelchair with his hands bound.

Many of the 900 people arrested over the weekend claimed they were unlawfully detained. Police Chief Bill Blair has defended police actions, saying as many as 1,000 anarchists came to Toronto to "attack" the summit.

An independent review of their actions was requested by Toronto's police services board Tuesday.

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Complaints

- In the days since the G20 summit, the body that oversees complaints against Ontario police forces has received 164 complaints — double the usual amount, roughly 80. However, the Office of the Independent Police Review Director said it doesn't sort the complaints by topic or specific police force.
- The body that oversees complaints against the RCMP said that, as of yesterday, it had received 12 complaints against unidentified police forces.

27 Number of hours John Pruyn says he was held in a cell, his left leg confiscated as a "weapon." He was not allowed a phone call during that time, he says.

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▶ Thousands of activists march down University Avenue on Canada Day to demand a public inquiry into the security practices and preparation for the G8 and G20 summits.

Police seek video of vandals

Toronto police are asking people to turn in any pictures or videos they have of protesters committing violent acts during the G20 summit.

Det.-Sgt. Gary Giroux said they are interested in images that show people assaulting officers, damaging police cruisers or damaging buildings and other property. Giroux told a news conference he has "extremely aggressive officers" assigned to the investigation. He said those responsible for criminal acts will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Giroux said people have been dropping off pictures and videos at police stations, and police would like that to continue.

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Videos and photos can also be sent in at www.torontopolice.on.ca

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▶ Zohrab (Zack) Kilislian, owner of Barclay Jewelry Ltd., looks at his smashed storefront window June 26.

G20 FALLOUT

No more summits in Toronto: McGuinty

Another G20 summit in Toronto? Thanks, but no thanks, says Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty.

The city is scarred by the experience of hosting a gathering of world leaders, when police arrested about 900 people in a massive crackdown after black-clad protesters rampaged through the city's core, McGuinty said yesterday.

Asked if it was a mistake to hold the summit in Toronto, the premier didn't hold back.

"Well, let's put it this way: If the prime minister were to sit down and say, 'Can we host another G20 summit in Toronto?' We'd say — I think we'd all say — 'We've been there, we've done that, and thanks very much.'"

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News in brief

Council backs police actions

G20. After an emotional morning-long debate, city council voted yesterday 36-0 to "commend the outstanding work" of Toronto police Chief Bill Blair, above, his officers and other police forces during the G20 summit in Toronto. The tactics and behaviour of police on the streets and in the temporary detention facility on Eastern Avenue have sparked calls for an independent inquiry. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Beer Store inks IT deal

CONTRACT. CGI Group Inc. has won a seven-year, multimillion-dollar contract to provide infrastructure information technology services to The Beer Store, Ontario's primary beer retailer. The outsourcing agreement also encompasses infrastructure services for Brewers Distributor Ltd., a wholesale distributor of beer and the collector of returnable, refillable and recyclable beer containers in Western Canada, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Arrests made in drug raids

CRIME. Several police forces teamed up early yesterday for a series of arrests in a drug trafficking investigation. Police say raids took place at locations across the Niagara region, Hamilton, York, Toronto and in Quebec. Several people were arrested and drugs were seized by officers armed with warrants in an operation called Project Takeout. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Little enforcement of Do Not Call service

11 fines imposed since list was launched in 2008: Tony Clement

Critics say the national Do Not Call List is a sham and should be scrapped after figures suggest there is little enforcement despite more than 300,000 complaints against unwanted telemarketers.

Responding to a query by Liberal Senator Percy Downe, the federal government said it has imposed $73,000 in fines in less than two years — but collected only $250 as of March 1.

"It is a colossal disappointment," said Dan McTeague, one of the Liberal MPs who first drafted do-not-call legislation in the late 1990s.

The National Do Not Call List is a free service that is supposed to restrict the number of unwanted telemarketing calls and faxes.

Telemarketers are barred from dialling a number once it is on the list, and are supposed to face stiff fines if they do — up to $1,500 for individual telemarketers and $15,000 for companies, if a registered household files a complaint. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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▶ There are calls to scrap the Do Not Call List after figures reveal telemarketers are not paying their fines.

Liberal MP blasts list as 'empty promise'

"The reality is that expectations of the legislation have not been met." DAN MCTEAGUE

He called the list a "very empty promise to provide consumers with a modicum of assurance the list would be respected," adding "it's up to Parliament now to scrap the legislation to begin anew." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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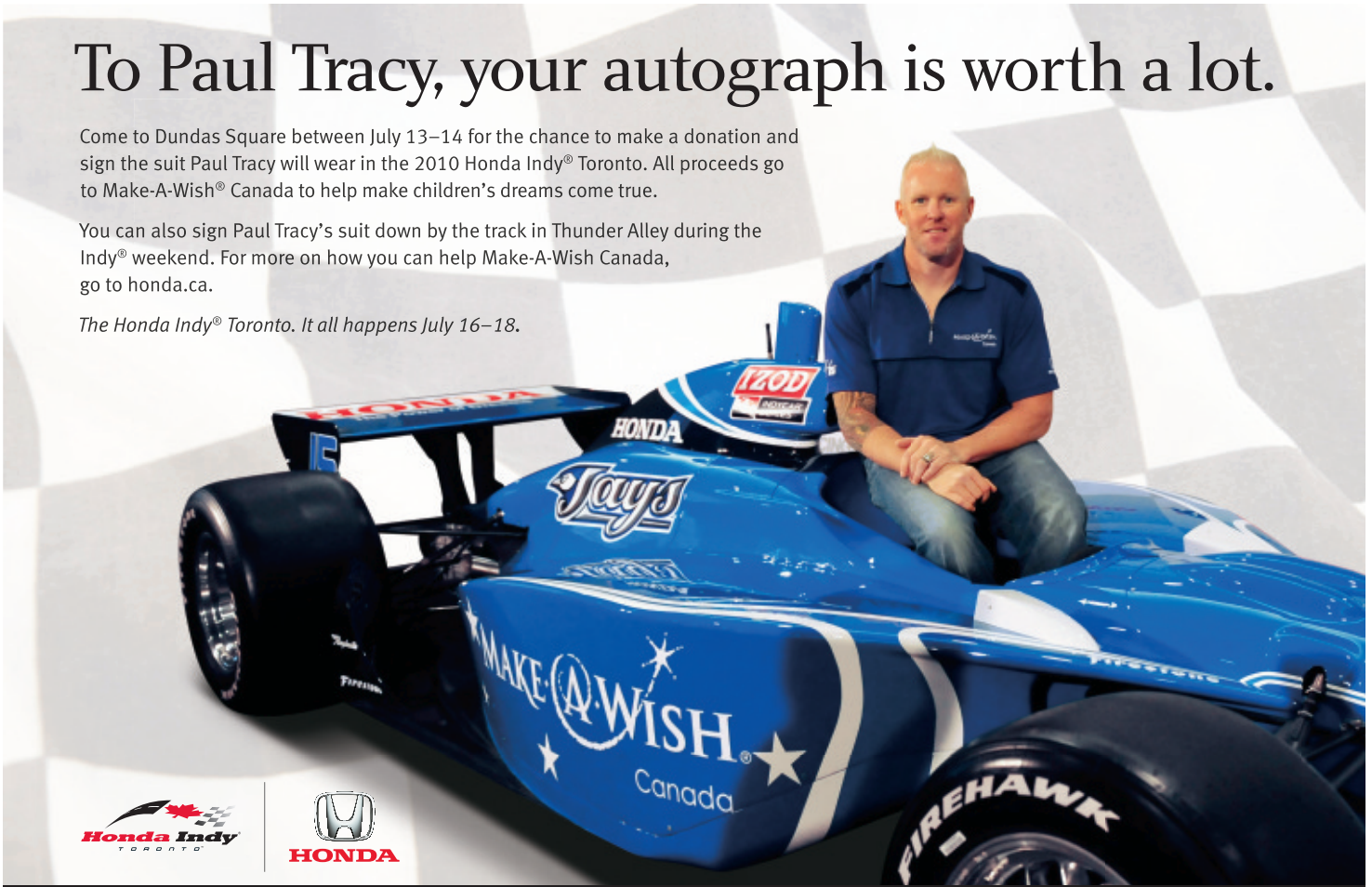

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Thanks but no thanks, Khadr tells lawyers

- Toronto-born Gitmo detainee, 23, facing five charges
- Accused of killing American soldier when he was 15

Accused war criminal Omar Khadr has fired his American lawyers less than a week before his military-commission pretrial hearings are slated to resume in Guantanamo Bay, one of his despondent attorneys said yesterday.

Khadr, via a motion terminating his U.S. counsel and filed by his lawyers with the commission, said he would either represent himself or boycott his trial.

"We have worked our hearts out on the case and were just eagerly looking forward to what we had planned to do," one of the lawyers, Barry Coburn, told The Canadian Press.

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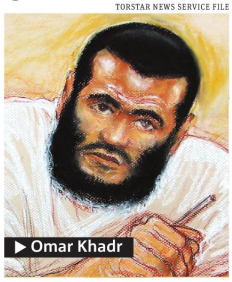

▶ Omar Khadr

"We're just kind of consumed with grief at the notion that we won't be able to do that."

Coburn, who said he was "totally devastated" by Khadr's decision, refused to say what may have motivated his Canadian client, citing solicitor-client privilege.

However, speaking from Baltimore after a flight back from Guantanamo Bay, Coburn said he hoped Khadr would relent.

"As of right now, there is no indication of that."

Army Col. Patrick Parrish, the military judge presiding over Khadr's case, will have to rule on the motion axing the lawyers after a hearing Monday. Khadr's trial is slated to start in August.

It was not immediately clear what impact the firing of the lawyers would have on the timing.

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▶ Premier Dalton McGuinty, left, with newly-appointed Ontario Provincial Police commissioner Chris Lewis.

New OPP boss says Caledonia no standoff

Ontario's next police commissioner says there's no standoff in Caledonia, the site of a four-year aboriginal occupation that's divided the town and sparked violent confrontations.

Chris Lewis, who will replace outgoing OPP commissioner Julian Fantino in August, says "nothing will change" when it comes to police strategy in the southern Ontario community.

He says the occupation of disputed land by aboriginal demonstrators isn't a standoff and the community is "very peaceful."

Lewis' appointment was announced by Premier Dalton McGuinty yesterday.

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The old boss

Chris Lewis is replacing outgoing OPP commissioner Julian Fantino, who has led an interesting career.

- **Early years** Fantino began as a cadet with the Toronto Police Service in 1969.
- **Leadership** He went on to become Toronto police chief and, in 2006, was named OPP commissioner.
- **Charge** He was accused of trying to influence municipal officials related to the Caledonia case, but the charge was withdrawn.
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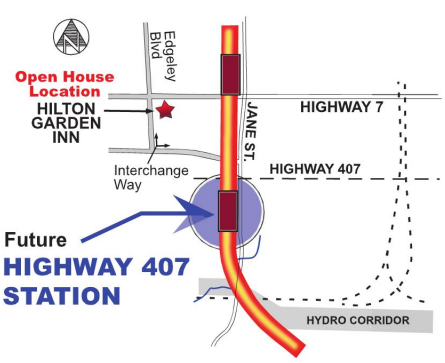

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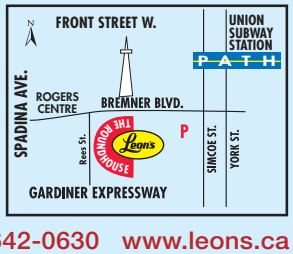

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Viva Espana! Fans celebrate win

A crowd from Plaza Flamingo bar on College Street celebrates after Spain beat Germany 1-0 yesterday in World Cup action. More coverage, page 47.

Pride could lose city funding over apartheid group

Queers Against Israeli Apartheid marched in this year's parade after initial ban was overturned

Pride Toronto has been put on notice that it could lose its annual funding from the city over the participation of a controversial group called Queers Against Israeli Apartheid.

City council voted 36-1 to hold back funding until after next year's parade, and release it only if the festival is deemed in compliance with the city's anti-discrimination policies. The city manager is to advise Pride organizers what they need to do to meet city policy.

Queers Against Israeli Apartheid should not be part of the 2011 parade, said Coun. Giorgio Mammoliti, who had hoped to convince council to claw back Pride's funding this year after the group was allowed to participate.

$126,370

Last year, Pride Toronto received a $126,370 grant and cleanup and policing services worth $170,000.

"As far as I'm concerned, that group does nothing but spread hatred," Mammoliti told reporters after the vote.

"One of the clear advantages we have now is that money won't be released until after the parade, so we'll be watching them," he said. "If they continue to spread the same message, then some of us will argue not to give them the cheque."

Pride will wait to hear from the city manager but the organization believes it has complied with city anti-discrimination policies this year.

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She faints, he lands in court

Mounties in Kelowna, B.C., knew something was up when a 43-year-old woman fainted as they spoke to her and a friend at a park.

Their suspicions grew when the woman's partner blamed drunkenness for her collapse.

While waiting for an ambulance to arrive for the woman, police checked the pickup belonging to the Blind Bay, B.C., man.

Const. Steve Holmes said that's when officers found 10 kilograms of marijuana and a safe crammed with $65,000. The bear spray and steel baton weren't hard to miss, either.

Holmes said the 39-year-old man landed in front of a judge and is due back in court next month to face several drug charges.

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Conrad Black lobs a legal fastball

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▶ Conrad Black is serving a six-year sentence in Florida.

Jailed media baron asks for bail
But key conviction may beat him

Jailed media baron Conrad Black has come out swinging in his fight to save his reputation.

This week he launched a double whammy:

A formal request to be released on bail.

And a new legal challenge to fight his convictions for fraud and obstruction of justice.

But some observers say they doubt Black's plea, launched in a Chicago court, will be successful.

"There's a chance he could have some time shaved off his sentence, but I don't think it's going to be the remainder of his sentence shaved off," said Toronto lawyer James Morton.

Last month, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled a law used to help convict Black on three counts of mail fraud had to be applied more narrowly. The ruling didn't exonerate Black, but it gave him another chance to argue against his convictions.

But Black was convicted of the more serious count of obstruction of justice that carried a 6½-year sentence, which he is serving in a Florida jail.

"He has such a big ego. I really think in his own mind he's still shocked he was convicted. Somebody who thinks they're innocent will fight tooth and nail to overturn that."
LAWYER ANDREW STOLTMANN

Black's lawyers are arguing the obstruction conviction should also be thrown out.

Morton, however, is skeptical.

"If it wasn't for that charge and that conviction, I would say he has a really good chance of leaving jail early."

But is time running out on Black?

He's already deep into his jail sentence and his latest legal move could take many months to resolve.

"He has … been thrown a lifeline … and he has to cling to it because that's all he's got," said Chicago lawyer Andrew Stoltmann.

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Gangs blamed for firebombs

Police have figured out the motive for firebombings against cafés in Montreal: Street gangs demanding a share of drug profits.

"They wanted a cut on every (dollar) of drug sales," said Deputy Police Chief Jacques Robinette.

He cited a big decline in the number of street-gang-related violent crimes — 14 homicides in 2007 compared to just two this year.

18 The number of firebombings in Montreal. Arrests have been made in five of the attacks, 13 cases are unsolved.

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Politico pleads guilty

A former Michigan congressman accused of accepting stolen funds to lobby on behalf of an Islamic charity alleged to have funded terrorist groups pleaded guilty in Kansas City yesterday to two charges, including obstruction of justice.

Former Republican Rep. Mark Deli Siljander remains free on bond.

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News in brief

Tiger, camel case cracked?

MONTREAL Police have made two arrests over the theft of two camels and a Bengal tiger.

They say a truck and trailer with the animals had been in a barn northeast of Montreal. More arrests are expected.

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Boat tips, 37 tossed in river

PHILADELPHIA. A disabled sightseeing boat adrift in the Delaware River with at least 37 people aboard was struck by a barge and capsized yesterday, spilling passengers into the water and leaving two people unaccounted for. The amphibious "duck boat" suffered a mechanical problem and a small fire, officials said.

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He's out, but she's back in

TORONTO. Penguin Canada employee Lisa Rundle is getting her old job back, the publishing house said yesterday, a day after it was revealed a sexual harassment lawsuit she filed against ex-boss David Davidar has been settled. Davidar, who was asked to leave the firm, denied any wrongdoing.

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Mistress seeks tell-all cash

HILLSBOROUGH, N.C. Lawyers for John Edwards' mistress argued she should have some profits from a tell-all book written by an aide to the Democratic presidential candidate.

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Sri Lankan anger targets defiant UN

Government-led protesters seek halt to probe into civil war atrocities ▶ But world body refuses to retreat

Sri Lankan protesters have issued an ultimatum to the United Nations.

They threatened hunger strikes and nationwide demonstrations yesterday if the UN doesn't halt its investigation into possible abuses committed during the final bloody months of Sri Lanka's civil war.

The world body rejected the demand.

The threats came a day after hundreds of demonstrators led by a government minister laid siege to the UN compound in Colombo, trapping workers inside for hours, and burned effigies of UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon.

Government anger toward the world body has grown since Ban formed the investigative panel last month, with ministers saying it was part of an international witch hunt against victorious Sri Lankan forces.

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▶ A Buddhist monk watches protests in Colombo.

"The UN has deviated from its noble aims and is now bent on destabilizing selected countries," said Housing Minister Wimal Weerawansa.

The United Nations said yesterday the panel would not be disbanded.

"The panel … will go about their work, so that's clear," spokesperson Farhan Haq said at UN headquarters in New York.

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Years of carnage

Government troops crushed the Tamil Tigers last year, ending a bloody campaign the rebels waged for an independent state.

- **The toll:** In 25 years of fighting, more than 80,000 people were killed. More than 7,000 civilians died in the last five months alone.
- **The claims:** Human rights groups accused both government troops and rebels of targeting civilians and killing thousands of innocent people.
- **The denial:** The government has denied targeting civilians. But it opposes the United Nations investigative panel and says it will not issue visas to its members.

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National leader's summer vacation

- Harper headed to Harrington Lake, country home of PM since 1959
- Unlike U.S., Canadian leaders afforded some privacy during holiday

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▶ Prime Minister Stephen Harper is getting out of Ottawa and will start his vacation later this week.

No more pencils, no more books, no more opponents' dirty looks.

The prime minister of Canada is going on holiday.

Stephen Harper will head to Alberta later this week to visit family and attend the Calgary Stampede. After that, he and his family will retire to Harrington Lake, the official country residence of the prime minister.

What he'll get there is a luxury not afforded to his counterpart in the U.S. — privacy.

While a travelling press corps dogs the American president everywhere he goes, the down time of Canada's prime ministers doesn't get any air time.

"We might know where he is generally but we don't have a 24-hour attachment to the office," said Andrew Cohen, president of Historica-Dominion institute of Canadian history.

Harper has a policy of not taking vacations outside the country but those around him note he's not much for holidays anyway.

When the opposition accused Harper of proroguing Parliament in the winter to get a vacation, it was he who had the last laugh. The week after New Years, Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff was in Europe, and NDP Leader Jack Layton was in Belize. Harper was in Ottawa.

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PM's and vacays

- When Paul Martin went on holiday as prime minister, he would go to his family farm in Quebec's Eastern Townships, while Pierre Trudeau often liked to travel abroad.
- While Jean Chretien was famous for his little cabin in Shawinigan, a series published in the Toronto Star in 2003 showed the former prime minister also liked Disney World and Morocco, where he would sometimes set up a shadow prime ministers' office.

Noriega gets 7 years in jail

A French court yesterday convicted former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega for laundering drug money in France in the 1980s and ordered him to spend seven years in prison.

Noriega already spent 20 years in U.S. custody for drug trafficking and was extradited to France in April to stand trial on charges in France.

A French prosecutor has argued that millions of dollars that transited through Noriega's French bank accounts during the late 1980s were kickbacks from the powerful Medellin cocaine cartel.

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▶ Manuel Noriega in 1989.

Group objects to census changes

The Canadian Federation of Francophone and Acadian Communities says changes to the census will hurt how its communities are served.

The group says the long census is critical because that's what Ottawa uses to decide which communities require bilingual services.

Industry Minister Tony Clement, above, has said the long census was cut because people found it intrusive.

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The outsiders

General: Foreign militants, not Afghans, behind violence in Kandahar

Every year, hundreds of foreign militants enter Afghanistan on a pilgrimage of sorts — to join the insurgency that they see as a jihad against infidels.

Military and political leaders say peace cannot be achieved in Afghanistan until the influx of foreign fighters is stopped.

Brig.-Gen. Jonathan Vance, commander of Task Force Kandahar, says the current approach of winning local support by bringing peace and security to Afghan villages becomes far less effective when the out-of-area fighters show up.

He says the foreign militants only want to fight.

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▶ U.S. soldier Lt. Ross Weinshanker jokes with Afghan children yesterday in the volatile Arghandab Valley.

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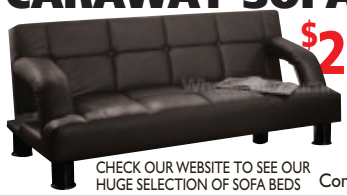

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News in brief

Jury to debate soldier's fate

QUEBEC. A military judge will charge the jury later this week in the unprecedented court martial of a Canadian army captain charged with killing a wounded Taliban insurgent. Final arguments concluded yesterday with a military prosecutor arguing mercy killing is no defence and the defence claiming there's insufficient evidence to convict Capt. Robert Semrau, above. Semrau, 36, is charged with second-degree murder in the death of an unarmed and seriously wounded insurgent in Afghanistan's Helmand province in October 2008.

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3 women face theft charges

MIDLAND. Three women face a combined total of 35 charges after police wrapped up an investigation into a stockpile of merchandise stolen from stores in Penetanguishene and Midland. Police allege Ashley Fagan, Linda Waller and Kelly Johnston, all of the Orillia area, stole the merchandise from shopkeepers. The women face charges that include theft and possession of stolen property. The three are to appear in a Midland court on July 22.

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Linamar to shut U.K. plant

MANUFACTURING. Canadian auto parts maker Linamar Corp. is taking the first step towards shutting down its only British plant due to high labour costs. Canada's second-biggest auto parts company said yesterday it is beginning consultations with the Unite trade union on the planned closure of the plant in Wales, which employs 200 people.

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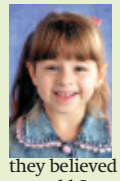
"Samantha and Natasha are in apparent good health and Christopher Martyn has been taken into custody."
– Regina Police

SASKATCHEWAN. Police have cancelled an Amber alert after a missing Saskatchewan girl, her mother and father were found safe and sound in Regina. The Amber alert was issued Tuesday after police said they believed that four-year-old Samantha Martyn (pictured) and her mother, Natasha Sentes, had been taken by the girl's father, Christopher Martyn. Sentes was estranged from Martyn.



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Haiti relief delayed

DISASTER. The Canadian Red Cross says it is still providing emergency relief in Haiti — almost six months after the earthquake. It says longer-term recovery operations have been delayed by a shortage of space and an unstable political climate. The organization is trying to deploy some 125,000 transitional shelters, but so far only 3,700 have been completed.

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Spy vs. spy for U.S. and Russia?

- Cancelled hearings might signal spy game is afoot
- Man says imprisoned brother was forced to confess

Russia and the United States are working out a spy swap involving Russians recently arrested in the United States and people convicted of spying in Russia, the brother of an imprisoned nuclear researcher said yesterday.

Officials from both the United States and Russia refused to comment on the report, but Dmitry Sutyagin said he had plenty of details on the swap from his brother Igor, who is serving a 14-year prison sentence on charges of spying for the United States.

Igor Sutyagin was told by Russian officials that he and other convicted spies are to be exchanged for the 10 Russians arrested by the FBI last month, his brother said.

U.S. officials were also at a meeting Monday at a Russian prison, his brother said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Arrests

The United States arrested 10 people June 27 and charged them with being in an alleged spy ring that was trying to obtain information about American business, scientific and political affairs.

Italy. Speaking out

▶ Demonstrators in Rome clashed with police as they tried to get close to the office of Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

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If you don't rebuild it, they'll come

Hundreds of people gathered yesterday to protest delays in the reconstruction following the earthquake that killed more than 300 people last April in L'Aquila.

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▶ Homebuyers can expect more choice and lower prices in the second half of 2010, while sellers can expect fewer offers for their homes as the hot housing market cools.

Market peaked early, flatter prices forecast

Royal LePage sees home prices averaging 6.8% over last year St. John's, N.L., saw biggest rise to 19.6%

One of Canada's leading real estate companies is forecasting that home prices will remain steady in the second half of 2010, although the number of sales is expected to fall.

Royal LePage Real Estate Services says some markets will see a decline in home prices and sales volumes towards the end of 2010, but they should be seen more as a reflection of the highs reached late last year rather than a major slowdown.

Prices for bungalows and two-storey houses were up about nine per cent in the April-June quarter, compared to last year. Condominiums were up 7.3 per cent.

"An expected increase in the supply of homes on the market will now bring stabilization in prices and in some cities we will see both prices and unit sales decline towards the end of the year," said Phil Soper, president and chief executive of Royal LePage.

"This should not be interpreted as a severe correction but rather a natural reaction to the market having peaked quite early this year."

Royal LePage is forecasting that the number of home sales will increase by just more than one per cent compared with 2009.

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Increases

Vancouver and Toronto, which are Canada's two biggest real estate markets, showed some of the largest increases in the second quarter.

- **Toronto:** Prices in Toronto rose by an average of 7.7 to 11.4 per cent.
- **Vancouver:** Average prices in Vancouver were up 16.6 to 19.1 per cent.

OILSANDS

Total gets a piece of Fort Hills

French energy giant Total SA will acquire a 20 per cent share of Suncor's Fort Hills oilsands project under a proposed takeover of UTS Energy Corp. — a deal that could spark interest among other players in the Alberta oilpatch.

The UTS board has agreed to sell the Calgary-based independent to a subsidiary of Total for $3.08 per share cash, or $1.5 billion in all — about double what Total offered last year when it made a previous attempt to buy UTS.

Total likely acted before a potential takeout of UTS becomes more pricey, Edward Jones analyst Lanny Pendill said.

Total took a hostile run at UTS about a year and a half ago, ultimately walking away after its would-be target repeatedly rejected its offer as too low, even after it was bumped to $829.8 million from $616 million. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market moment

PRICES AS OF 5 P.M. YESTERDAY

TSX	Dollar
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Oil	Natural gas 1,000 cu ft
+ $2.09 US ($74.07 US)	$4.565 (– 11.7¢)

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Europeans may see retirement dreams delayed

Trade union body says no evidence employers want to keep older workers EU wants to spark debate

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Nicolas Sarkozy

A European Union report called yesterday on Europeans to work longer to keep receiving state pensions from cash-strapped governments.

The European Commission said the average retirement age in the 27-member bloc would have to increase to 70 from the current age of 60 by 2060 if workers are to continue supporting retirees at current rates.

Europe is aging as people live longer and birth rates fall gradually. There are currently four people of working age for each person older than 65. Two workers will support one retiree by 2060.

Governments are hiking retirement ages to help reduce the expected pension shortfall.

Germans will retire at 67 starting in 2029. Spain is considering a similar increase and Britain is planning to hike the age to 68.

There has been huge public opposition across Europe to making people work longer. French President Sarkozy is having a hard time winning support for raising France's retirement age to 62 from 60. Greece has seen violent protests against pension reforms. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hong Kong. Real estate

Lawmakers have accused Hong Kong developer Henderson Land Development Co. of overboard marketing for relabelling the floors in its 46-storey luxury building at 39 Conduit Rd. with auspicious numbers. The top level was renamed the 88th floor.

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Condo deals too good to be true?

In October, Hong Kong developer Henderson Land Development Co. sold 25 units — including a five-bedroom duplex priced at $57 million US — in 39 Conduit Rd., a luxury apartment building with an unobstructed view of the harbour. Eight months later, the company said 20 of the 25 buyers have backed out. Some are wondering if the sales were simply a sham to prop up property prices.

Developing new cars takes time

Toyota Motor Corp. is extending the time it takes to develop new vehicles by about four weeks for more quality checks in the wake of its massive safety-related recalls. It currently takes Toyota about 24 months to bring a new vehicle to market in Japan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Montreal's elite Ogilvy store sold

Montreal's upscale Ogilvy department store has been sold to a private consortium that includes the family that has a controlling interest in Bombardier Inc. Founded in 1866, it was one of the leading stores favoured by the city's anglophone elites. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Magellan gets Airbus contract

Toronto-based Magellan Aerospace Corp. said yesterday it has won a 10-year contract to work on Airbus' A350 XWB aircraft expected to bring in more than $60 million in revenue. Work on the new contract will begin at Magellan's U.K. facilities. THE CANADIAN PRESS

HOW MANY TIMES CAN WE COME OF AGE?

He says ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE

Canadians are full of it.

The media slant of this year's Canada Day was that we are a shy country, which now — at long last! — believes in itself.

What a load of hockey pucks. We're downright delusional.

This notion that we are a country that "finally" found its national identity is a story we've told ourselves a dozen times.

Confederation, Vimy Ridge, entering the Second World War, Expo '67, Paul Henderson's goal in the 1972 Summit Series. And all those things happened before I was born.

How many times can a country come of age?

It's a myth that Canadians are not patriotic. I was recently at a bar sitting next to a guy who was waxing nostalgic about Sidney Crosby's Olympic overtime goal. He said he had been "everywhere," but Canada is the best. When I said I had travelled a lot and enjoy New Zealand and Austria as much as Canada, he looked at me like I had strangled a beaver.

Canadians are not arrogant in the American way, but we are incredibly smug.

We're as likely as Americans to say our country is better than everybody else's (whatever that means), and surely we're the only nation in the world that boasts about being humble.

"Clinging to the myth of humility makes it too easy to pat ourselves on the back for things that don't really matter, like our geography and our hockey medals. Our worth as a nation will never be determined on the power play."

We're proud of how we pronounce the last letter of the alphabet, for God's sake.

We love to believe we're the withering wallflower who bursts onto the dance floor after years of longing gazes toward the world-class girl. But, in reality, we've always been the self-satisfied guy, who smirks to himself and wonders when everyone will notice how awesome he is.

We cling to our "humility" and then claim we're newly proud every time anything noteworthy happens, like joining American military missions, staying out of American military missions, getting mentioned on The Daily Show, or winning Olympic gold.

Clinging to the myth of humility makes it too easy to pat ourselves on the back for things that don't really matter, like our geography and our hockey medals. Our worth as a nation will never be determined on the power play.

I don't do Canadian stereotypes. I'm sorry.

Cartoon

Noteworthy

No more booze in race water bottles

San Francisco's Bay To Breakers footrace is famous for its lack of rules, but organizers say there's one racers will have to follow next year. Organizers of the bawdy annual run through the city announced yesterday they're banning booze next year and challenging the estimated 92,000 people who descend upon the 12-kilometre course to do so sober.

The race draws serious runners, as well as drunken revellers in risqué outfits — or no outfits at all.

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Long live the monarchy

Letters & Tweets

We asked: Should Canada cut ties with the monarchy?

TORONTO. I have no British blood. My parents came from republican China. Yet, I am a monarchist.

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Yes, we have a popular and beloved monarch today. But our monarchy is based on more than mere affection. It is based upon loyalty to an historic institution that has served and continues to serve us well.

GARTH LOW

TORONTO. The Bloor Street sidewalk expansion obviously did not have women on the project team. The spaces between the granite are too large and too frequent, making it impossible for women in heels to walk safely.

This on a high-end street where there are countless high-end fashion stores catering to women. I have three pairs of shoes that are ruined — not a day goes by that I do not see some woman tripping into the frequent gaps.

YASMINE RATTIGAN

Head of state

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▶ Tea from the Moonbeam Coffee Co.

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▶ In Despicable Me, Jason Segel voices Vector, an up-and-coming bad boy out to make a name for himself in the world of supervillainy.

Nothing Despicable about Jason Segel

▶ Forgetting Sarah Marshall star turns to dark side (sort of) in animated comedy ▶ Reveals plans for The Greatest Muppet Movie Ever Made

STEVE GOW
FOR METRO CANADA

Jason Segel's part in the comedy Despicable Me may have been a bit shy of being the role of a lifetime but the charming actor is quite happy with the results.

"It certainly is the most positive thing I've ever done," said Segel over the phone only moments after appearing on The Tonight Show on Tuesday.

"Most of what I've done has been R-rated comedies and to some extent, raunchy or subversive, and I love that stuff too but the idea of doing a movie that a whole family can enjoy together is really a special thing."

Sure, being one of the stars of an animated film about a supervillian who reluctantly adopts three kids was unique, but in truth, it's not really a departure for Segel.

After all, the California native may have risen to fame writing, starring and pulling a full monty in the 2008 hit Forgetting Sarah Marshall but Segel's secret passion for puppetry is more aligned with the star's kid-friendly persona.

"Literally, five years ago I was like a weirdo with puppets," said Segel. "Now that it's my profession, its like super cool."

"Not to burst anyone's bubble but (voice over) is like the cushiest job of all time ... it's sort of an excuse to go nuts in a recording studio for a few hours."
JASON SEGEL

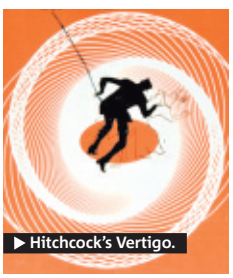
And it is now officially his profession. Having written the script for next year's The Greatest Muppet Movie Ever Made, Segel was responsible for reimagining Miss Piggy and company while creating an entertaining film for both kids and adults.

"The holy trinity to me was The Muppet Movie, The Great Muppet Caper and Muppets Take Manhattan and I'm trying to bring (the franchise) back to that tone and that spirit," admitted Segel, while adding that his attraction to Despicable Me was that it also wins over all-ages.

"There's no reason that a family movie can't be something that legitimately the whole family is enjoying ... where you come out and everyone in the family has had a great time and everyone has this bonding experience. That's tough to get in this day and age."

Segel the minister

▶ Segel married a couple on Tuesday's The Tonight Show after being ordained as a minister on a website. "(They) put an ad on Craigslist asking if I would officiate their wedding," said Segel. "I can also, according to the website, absolve you of your sins."



▶ Hitchcock's Vertigo.

TIFF exhibit to display classic film artifacts

The cab licence Robert De Niro used while researching Taxi Driver and storyboards from Gone With the Wind depicting the evacuation of Atlanta are among the movie artifacts that will be on display in September during the Toronto International Film Festival.

The Essential Cinema exhibition, which starts Sept. 12, will mark the opening of the TIFF Bell Lightbox, the festival's sleek new five-storey home at King and John streets.

Also part of the display will be original release posters from Vittorio De Sica's 1948 film Bicycle Thieves and a display exploring the creative process behind Alfred Hitchcock's Vertigo.

The exhibit is inspired by the festival's Essential 100 list of the most influential movies of all time.

The display runs until Oct. 23. This year's film festival takes place from Sept. 9 to 19.

The Bell Lightbox will house festival offices, gallery space and cinemas.

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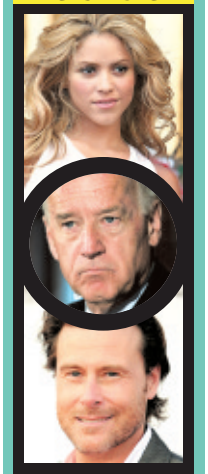

1 World Cup organizers promise a high-tech closing ceremony featuring pop star Shakira.
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2 U.S. Vice President Joe Biden will make an appearance on Jay Leno's The Tonight Show on Friday.
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3 Canadian actor Dean McDermott is out of the hospital, after being treated last week for a punctured and collapsed lung following a motorcycle accident.
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Leaders of the pack

Wolf Parade
Album: Expo 86
Label: Sub Pop/Outside
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Since Wolf Parade made their huge splash on the North American music scene in 2005, the Montreal band's members have been mostly focused on their other projects. Singer Dan Boeckner fronts Handsome Furs; vocalist Spencer Krug is in Sunset Rubdown among other acts. And these other bands are, these days, a lot better than Wolf Parade. But Wolf Parade, which also features Arlen Thompson on drums and former Hot Hot Heat member Dante DeCaro on guitar, is still pretty damn good.

The band's latest disc was made quickly, in about four months, which might be one reason why this is the groups most organic effort. The Arcade-Fire-meets-Springsteen tune Palm Road sounds more relaxed than anything that's come before it — the guys sounds free from the pressures that followed them after releasing their debut. And, because their other acts are successful they can do whatever they want here.

While Expo 86 all sounds very Wolf Parade — the bouncy, frenetic tunes with layers of instrumentation are still in tact — there is a difference between Boeckner and Krug's songs, more so than ever. The latter songwriter is more straight ahead rock; the former is more adventurous. It makes for a sometimes-choppy disc, but also provides a lot of variety. Overall it's a good listen, one most Wolf Parade fans will enjoy.

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI /FOR METRO CANADA

Scissor Sisters
Album: Night Work
Label: Downtown/Universal
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There's no shortage of club-by dance rock these days, but the Scissor Sisters seem to be the most genuine of all the ass-shaking bands. The group have always maintained a good balance between over-the-top bombast and organic, guitar/piano-based rock and they do it again on their third record — their first in four years. Night Work is more guitar-focused than their previous discs, but it's got the same infectious, Elton John-like grooves as always.

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI

Kylie Minogue
Album: Aphrodite
Label: EMI
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She may be 42 years old, but Kylie still inhabits all of the beauty and sexuality of her 11th album's titular character. Executively produced by Stuart Price (Madonna) and featuring 14 other producers and 28 songwriters, Aphrodite doesn't really benefit from so many people. In fact, it's pretty close to every Kylie album since she was reborn on 2000's Light Years. While it's majestically put together, for an artist as celebrated as Kylie, Aphrodite never produces anything as memorable as the songs that made her an icon.

CAM LINDSAY

Big Boi
Album: Sir Lucious Left Foot: The Son of Chico Dusty
Label: Def Jam
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He never had the outgoing personality and visual panache of Andre 3000, but Big Boi always had OutKast's best interests in mind when it came to hip-hop. On his first proper solo album, he once again emphasizes this, outdoing himself with a dexterous effort that picks up where 2003's Speakerboxxx left off. While it may only be credited to Big Boi, Sir Lucious Left Foot is the OutKast album we've been waiting seven years for.

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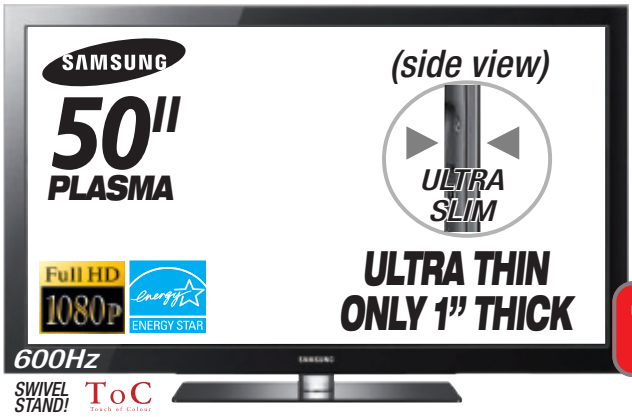

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Lady Gaga snub spurs change in Grammy rule

- Requirements altered for best new artist noms
- Gaga's Just Dance ineligible under existing rules

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Lady Gaga's exclusion from the best new artist category at this year's Grammys has caused the Recording Academy to change eligibility requirements for the next ceremony.

Although Lady Gaga was the most popular new artist of 2009, she was ineligible for a best new artist nomination.

Her hit Just Dance had been nominated in 2008, before she was a platinum-selling act, and previous Grammy nominees can't be nominated for best new artist.

The changes were announced yesterday. The rule change allows previous Grammy nominees to be eligible, as long as the artist hasn't released an entire album and doesn't win.

"More and more, the first release of a new artist is as a featured artist on someone else's album or the new artist may release a single long before the release of his/her/their entire first album," the Academy said in a statement.

"By current rules, if the other artist's album or the new artist's single receives a nomination, the new artist may never have the opportunity to compete in the best new artist category. With this change, each artist will have at least one opportunity to enter in this important and highly visible category."

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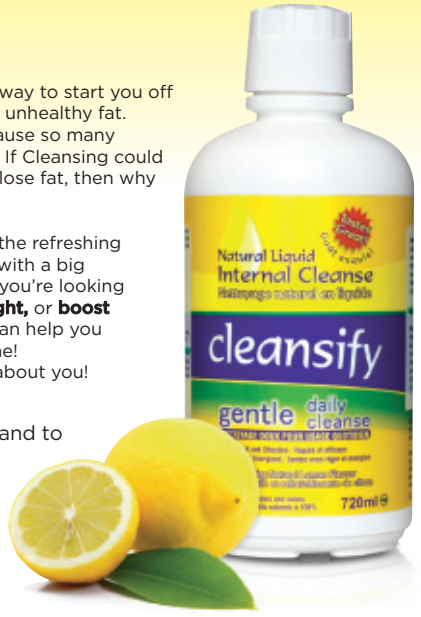

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▶Canadian Jillian Harris poses with Ed Swiderski , after she chose him in the season finale of the dating reality series

Back to Bachelorette

It seems that Canadian Bachelorette star Jillian Harris has split with her TV sweetheart, Ed Swiderski It's a second bitter split for the series

The perky Vancouver brunette, who picked Swiderski out of 30 suitors on the fifth edition of The Bachelorette, tells Us Weekly they have called off their engagement.

The 29-year-old Harris says she's "really sad, but I have to look out for me" while Swiderski says, "Jillian isn't happy and I'm definitely sad about the whole thing."

Earlier this week, Harris told OK! she had left the couple's Chicago-area home and moved in with her parents in Kelowna, B.C., but that the split was not permanent.

The couple was dogged by infidelity rumours last summer after the series concluded on ABC and Citytv. The announcement comes on the heels of a bitter split between last season's Bachelor star Jake Pavelka and his chosen mate, Vienna Girardi.

Their dirty laundry was put on display with a teary televised confrontation earlier this week on The Bachelorette, starring Facebook advertising accounts manager Ali Fedotowsky.

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Live Life in a Day of YouTube

With the help of director Kevin Macdonald, producer Ridley Scott and a few hundred other filmmakers, YouTube is making a movie.

YouTube is organizing the creation of Life in a Day, a project that plans to document July 24 with user-submitted videos from around the world.

YouTube is asking people to upload footage of their daily lives. Macdonald serves as director and will edit together a feature-length documentary from the submitted material. Scott will produce.

Users must be at least 13-years-old and can see other content at youtube.com/lifeinaday

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20 The film will premiere at the Sundance Film Festival in January. 20 of content producers will be flown to Sundance for the premiere.

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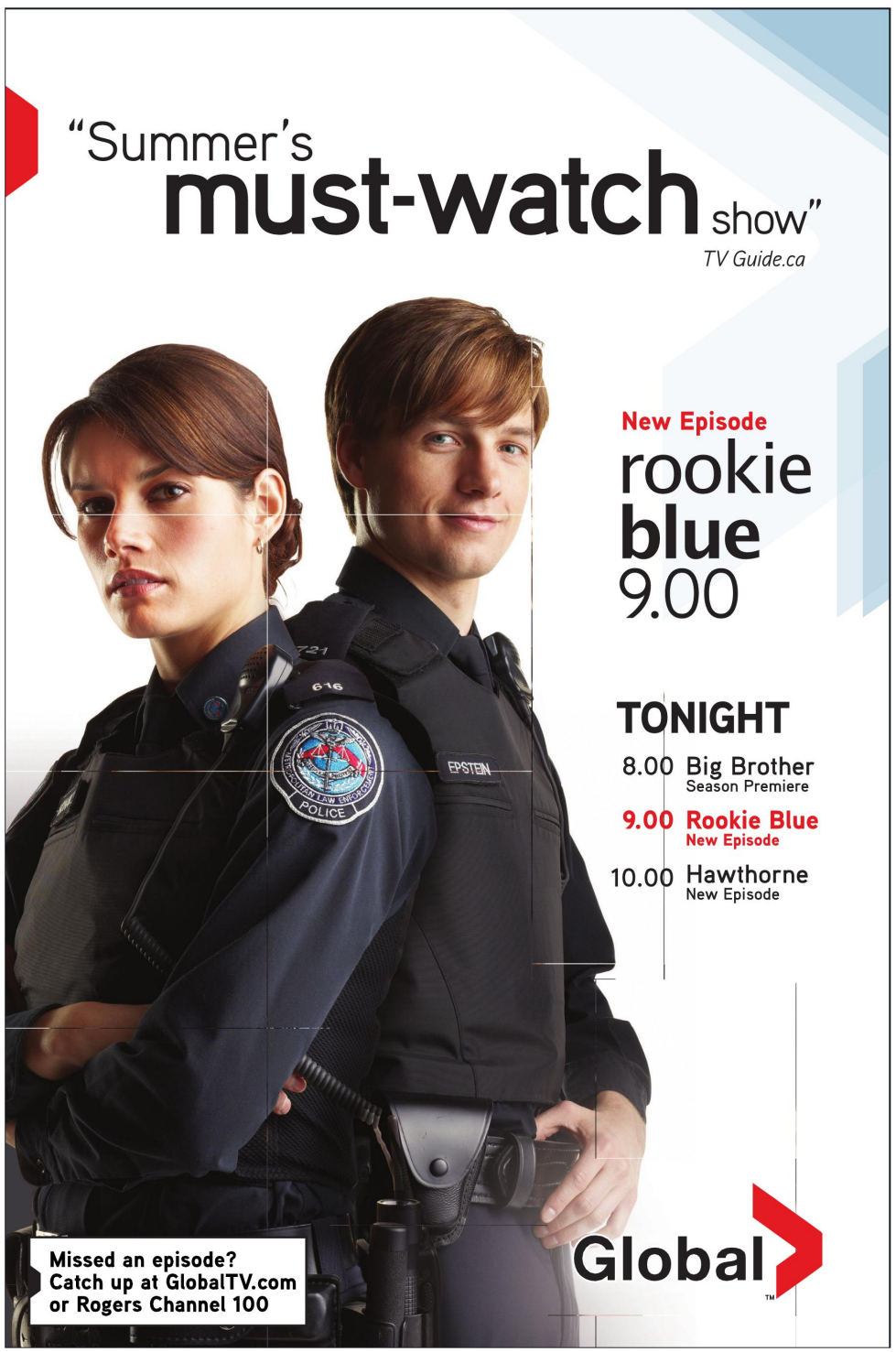

Glades going for authentic South Florida look

Success of new series hinges on A&E audience connecting with Aussie actor Matt Passmore

Detective Jim Longworth will soon find out what Florida residents and visitors have known for a long time: It's a weird place.

The Glades, a police drama set to premiere July 11 on A&E, follows a Chicago detective who relocates to South Florida, expecting to slide into a cushy job with plenty of time to hit the beaches and golf courses. But he quickly realizes that life isn't going to be as simple or as relaxing as he thought it would be.

Besides being set in South Florida, the show is filmed in the Fort Lauderdale area — most Florida-themed shows, like CSI: Miami, are filmed primarily in California.

Matt Passmore

The Glades' creator and executive producer, Clifton Campbell, grew up near Miami and knew he couldn't capture South Florida's essence anywhere else.

"I've noticed a lot of shows that try to be set there without actually shooting there, and it's always sort of rankled me a little bit," Campbell said.

Regardless of the setting, the show's success or failure could ultimately hang on how audiences respond to its lead, Matt Passmore.

As an Australian, Passmore said he's just as much a fish-out-of-water as Longworth.

"I'm an Aussie playing a Chicago cop who's down in Florida," Passmore said.

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TV picks

Big Brother back to battle

REALITY Summertime ratings titan Big Brother kicks off its 12th season of voyeurism. As with past seasons, viewers can tune in three times a week to see shameless contestants battling under one roof in a bid to win the $500,000 prize. (Global)

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Price is right for Simpson

MUSIC Jessica Simpson travels the world in the new series Price of Beauty to probe how physical and inner attractiveness influences different cultures. Her journey takes her to Asia, Europe and the U.S. for interviews with local residents and celebrities. Issues explored include local fashions, dietary fads and beauty regimes. (Much Music) THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Funny about Canada

With Just For Laughs roaring into town, we look at what makes us Canadians so inexplicably hilarious

It was mealtime during a flight on Air Canada. "Would you like dinner?" the flight attendant asked John, seated in front. "What are my choices?" John asked. "Yes or no," she replied.

There is this idea that Canadians, in general, are funny. American magazines and newspapers find themselves puzzled with the success of so many Canadians in the entertainment industry. Jim Carrey, Mike Myers, John Candy and Dan Aykroyd are often given as an illustration of this "Canadian invasion."

This perception is valued and encouraged by Canadians themselves. It's okay to be known as polite, but it's better to be funny. They are funny even when they try to explain who they are. Like when they say a Canadian is "an American with healthcare and no guns."

So, why are Canadians so funny? There is no simple answer for that. History, geographical position in the world, boredom, even the weather are parts of the explanation.

For many years, Andrew Clark worked as a comedy reporter for Toronto newspapers. In his book, Stand and Deliver, from 1998, he wrote that "living next to America is living next to the wildest party ever held. As Canadians we are never invited to this orgy, but we get front-row seats."

So yeah, Canadians can observe them, detect all those little "peculiar" American things and then make fun of them. And get paid for that by Americans. The climate is another reason, according to Clark.

"In Canada nobody is going to conquer the land or the climate. In a way, here you have to make peace with the elements, that's always been part of survival.

"The idea of fate, things we can't control, is an important part of our lives. So, we have the U.S. just to our side — if you want to influence them you need to adapt."

CLAUDIO MUNZ. THIS ARTICLE WAS FIRST PUBLISHED IN CANADIAN NEWCOMER MAGAZINE

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▶ Jim Carrey, left, and Russell Peters, right, are just two of Canada's funniest exports

Yuk Yuk. Who's there?

Stand-up in Canada means Yuk Yuk's. The club started in Toronto in a basement on Church Street in 1976. A small stage, provided with a microphone and bad lighting were the only weapons in those days.

News in brief

Just For Laughs guide

FUNNY PEOPLE. Toronto's leg of the Montreal-based comedy extravaganza kicked off Tuesday with performances by Tommy Tiernan and Elon Gold.

The series continues until Sunday with galas hosted by some of the biggest names in comedy, including Wayne Brady, Russell Peters, Sugar Sammy, Chinese comedian Jian Kun, and TV star Brad Garrett.

Tonight will feature performances from Tommy Tiernan, Elon Gold, Mike Birbiglia, Andy Kindler, Patton Oswalt, Todd Barry, and Pat Thornton at venues around the city.

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Future uncertain for Lohan's career

Embattled star's new movies, fashion line placed in doubt after prison, rehab sentences

Lindsay Lohan's future includes a new fashion line, two new movies, some time in jail and another stint in rehab.

The actress was sentenced yesterday to 90 days in jail and 90 days in a residential substance-abuse program for violating her probation stemming from two separate 2007 cases of driving under the influence of cocaine and alcohol. She is to surrender and begin her jail sentence July 20. Rehab will follow.

The punishment, levied by Superior Court Judge Marsha Revel, will keep Lohan from promoting Machete, the Robert Rodriguez action film due in theatres in September. Fox, which is releasing the film, had no comment yesterday.

Lohan's sentence may also prevent her from further promoting her new fashion line, 6126. The first items from the 280-piece collection are shipping out to department stores nationwide this month. Lohan was instrumental in the line's design and marketing plans and is featured in its promotional materials. Her business partner, Kristi Kaylor, did not immediately respond to phone and email messages seeking comment.

Lohan's agent, Nick Styne, also declined to comment yesterday.

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▶ On the bright side, no one doubts her acting talent after yesterday's performance

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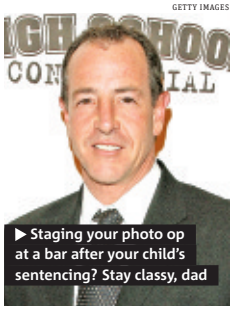

▶ Staging your photo op at a bar after your child's sentencing? Stay classy, dad

Lohan dad inexplicably thinks his opinion holds any merit

Hours after his daughter was sentenced to 90 days in jail, Michael Lohan was on Larry King Live giving his reaction to the news. "Dismay, but at the same time a little satisfaction that she's going to rehab," he told Larry King of his feelings about the sentencing. "The last thing I wanted was for my daughter to go to jail." Immediately after the interview, Lohan headed to West Hollywood bar the Saddle Ranch where he smiled and posed for photos, telling TMZ he was going to phone his daughter from inside the bar. METRO WORLD NEWS

Did Ronaldo's baby mama receive a $20M payoff?

New reports suggest Cristiano Ronaldo's bid to become a single father was more expensive than anyone thought, as the Portuguese footballer reportedly paid the mother of his child a small fortune for sole custody. Ronaldo is said to have transferred $20 million into the mystery woman's account earlier this week, according to the Sun. "He paid nearly a year's wages but it's more than worth it," a source says.

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▶ When baby starts spitting up that'll be one proud papa!

Talking points

A date night by Twilight

SIT DOWN, TWIHARDS — THIS IS GONNA STING. Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart stepped out in public for the first time since their promotional duties for the latest Twilight film started winding down, heading to Hotel Cafe in L.A. to see Pattinson's pal Sam Bradley perform, according to Popsugar. The evening before, the pair had surprised fans by popping up at a showing of their new film.

Montag 'regrets' plastic surgery

BUT WHAT SHE REALLY MEANS IS THAT SHE REGRETS NO ONE CARES ANYMORE. Just months after proudly undergoing 10 plastic surgery procedures, Heidi Montag is regretting her decision. "She's thinking about a plastic surgery make-under now that she's separated from [husband] Spencer [Pratt]," a source tells Heat magazine. "He was the one who wanted her to get the work done. She knows she went too far, and she feels stupid."

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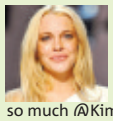
Celebrity tweets

Joan River [@Joan_Rivers] I love NY, but there are lots of rapes. My friend on West 93rd can't have sex with her husband unless he chases her down a dark alley first.



Lindsay Lohan [@lindsaylohan] thank you so much @KimKardashian - thanks for being such a good friend, it means a lot to me

David Lynch [@DAVID_LYNCH] If you're planning to chop wood in the near future, @BestMadeCo makes the best & most beautiful axes. I got the axe w/the white stripe & purple stain. It's real pretty & super well made.

Conan O'Brien [@Conan-OBrien] My horoscope says I "never let a struggle stop me." At least that's what I think it says, I can't get the cookie all the way open

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McKellen in no rush for Hobbit start

With production stalling on a new movie version of The Hobbit, Ian McKellan isn't holding his breath for filming to start.

And the actor's rekindled interest in live theater may finally put an end to the delayed project.

"Well, I'm not under contract and my time is running out and I'm enjoying working in the theater," McKellan says, according to Contact Music.

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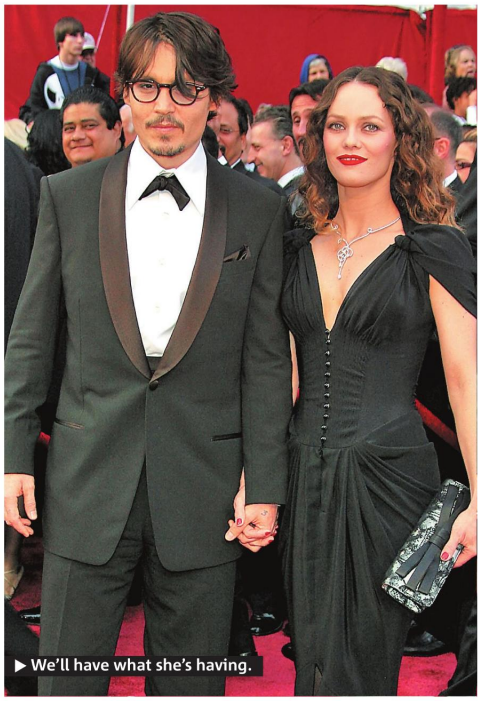
▶ We'll have what she's having.

Vanessa's key to Paradis

French actress shares secrets to long-term bliss with Johnny Depp

Vanessa Paradis, who has been happily sharing a life and children with Johnny Depp for years, says the secret to their longevity is space. "The fact that we're not together every day plays a big part in keeping our relationship stable," she tells Marie Clare magazine. "We understand that, if we want our relationship to continue, we must give each other space, allow each other to go off on our own, and trust each other." And one thing they'll keep doing separately is acting. "Frankly, the thought of filming with him would scare me to death," she says. "It's not that I don't want to, but I would be frightened that I wouldn't be up to his standard because he's so talented. And I don't know if I would be able to lie in front of him."

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Prince ceremoniously announces demise of the Net

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▶ So long, Internet. It's been fun.

Prince isn't impressed with new media, insisting if people want his new album, they'll have to go to a store and buy it. "The Internet's completely over," the eclectic musician tells the Daily Mirror. "I don't see why I should give my new music to iTunes or anyone else. They won't pay me an advance for it and then they get angry when they can't get it." Prince also has some choice words for a certain cable channel: "The Internet's like MTV," he says. "At one time MTV was hip and suddenly it became outdated. Anyway, all these computers and digital gadgets are no good."

Prince has been a fierce opponent of content sharing, even threatening to sue a woman who put up a YouTube video of her baby dancing to one of his songs in 1997.

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Lowe takes on Miramax

Rob Lowe has a new role in the entertainment industry in mind. The actor has reportedly teamed with Tom Barrack in a bid to acquire Miramax Films from Disney, according to TMZ. Former owners Harvey and Bob Weinstein have reportedly been unsuccessful in their attempts to reacquire the studio. METRO WORLD NEWS

Rimes riled over kiss diss

LeAnn Rimes is bristling at the harsh criticism she and boyfriend Eddie Cibrian have been getting after compromising photos of a public make-out session hit the tabloids. "Since when is kissing your boyfriend a crime?" she posted later to her personal Twitter account. "Whose right was it to take pics of us in a private moment and display them for judgement?" METRO WORLD NEWS

New baby for Minogue sister

Dannii Minogue and boyfriend Kris Smith welcomed their first child earlier this week, a boy named Ethan, they said in a statement. The X-Factor judge and younger sister of singer and actress Kylie Minogue gave birth in Melbourne on Monday. "Mother and baby are doing well and dad is very proud," the statement said. "They request their privacy at thisspecial time to adjust as new parents." Kylie is expected to visit soon. METRO WORLD NEWS

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Two Canadian icons — Roots and author Douglas Coupland — have created a Canuck-inspired fashion line ◐ Roots X Douglas Coupland features clothing for all ages

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It's your first time designing fashion wearables, what attracted you to the Roots X Douglas Coupland collaboration?
Doing something new about Canada. I see the project as both art and design, but what makes it such a good, uncynical fit is that both Roots and I have been exploring Canada for a long time now (Roots 30 years; me 10). It's been a really good date.

Where did the Canada Goes Electric theme come from?
Believe it or not, the 1950s; when the world began going high (for the times) tech. While the world outside of Canada was paranoid and using technology for war and fear, Canada gave the world, among others, Marshall McLuhan and his theories on media which were exciting, new, forward looking and, yes electric. I want the pieces in a broad and accessible way to convey that sense of optimism and wonder.

You have been exploring Canadiana for a number of years. Tell Metro about some of the imagery you used in the collection.
No more moose in your face. No more Mounties. No more all the usual stuff we've kind of grown tired of. (Although a stylized moose appears in a crest I did for the series.) The Olympic opening and closing ceremonies are probably the last time we can ever use all of that cliché material … know what I mean? We're very lucky in Canada to still have a future. Most of the world doesn't have that right now. We need to go forward and find new ways of saying who we are.

What did you enjoy most about creating this fashion line?
Creating the pieces. But to do this I had to absorb an insane industrial learning curve — factories, dye lots, shipping schedules, tanneries … it was a four-year program crashed into one. The adrenaline was fantastic.

What is your favourite item in the collection?
That's tough. All of the leathers are amazing. For the clothing it's the men's black long-sleeve-T with white motherboard pattern on the chest. I like garments with words all over them.

You are a fashionable guy, what is your wardrobe must have?
I'm not fashionable … I've just figured out what looks okay on me and made my peace with it … and I also made it my uniform: custom-designed khakis made by a Gastown tailor (David Wilkes) and a certain kind of dress shirt that works on me, for whatever reason — some shirts just do that. And you really can't go wrong with Ben Sherman or Fred Perry polos. Everyone should have five.

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- **LOCATION** The Roots X Douglas Coupland collection is available in Roots stores nationwide. A pop-up store will be located today through July 25 at 680 Queen St. W. Visit roots.com/douglascoupland for more details.
- **IMAGES** Coupland created a coat of arms for the collection that includes a polar bear, a beaver, a crown, a satellite, the Northern Star, a canoe, video colour bars, and a triad of maple leaves.
- **AUTHOR** Coupland has written a number of books including Generation X, JPod and Generation A.

Beauty pick

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Chanal and Givenchy, oh my! Scan this for the latest news from Paris Fashion Week

Studio Visit

▶ Ashish Gupta's celeb following includes M.I.A., Madonna, Victoria Beckham and Lily Allen.

Sequins have long been the stuff of stage costumes and glamour girl get-ups. London designer Ashish takes the embellishments to a more modern place.

ASHISH'S PRETTY SPARKLY THINGS

Ashish Gupta is an Indian designer who lives in England and obsesses over American pop culture. We met in his London showroom to discuss his creative process and the many wonderful qualities of sequins.

You grew up in Delhi as the son of two doctors. How did you wind up in fashion?
I've been obsessed with it since I was quite young. My mom was a bit revolutionary in the way she dressed. It wasn't the norm for a woman in Delhi to wear European clothing. This was the late '70s. She was a bit of a rebel in that sense. There was always Vogue in the house. I grew up in that atmosphere.

Your work has a strong American sportswear influence. Where did that come from?
I've always been obsessed with Hollywood, Andy Warhol, Disney — those things that define American pop culture. And some of my earliest influences were people like Bob Mackie, Oscar de la Renta, the costume designer Adrian.

Speaking of glamour, most of your work is made of sequins.
I became obsessed with doing things that were sparkly and shiny when I was doing my MA collection at Central Saint Martins … I love how sequins can give things a different dimension. How the clothes hang differently. How the sequins can add depth to a colour. I love the idea of a girl wearing sequin pajamas at night.

Do you ever take design inspiration from the people you see out and about?
I'm always taking pictures. I'll get on a bus and I'll see someone quite interesting and I'll try to sneakily take the person's picture with my iPhone.

So you never ask for their permission first?
I'm too shy to go and ask for a picture. Though once I saw this girl on the underground and she had this really cool little bag. It was this weird, vintage looking teddy bear type bag. I kept following her trying to take a picture of the bag and finally just walked up to her and told her, "Look, I'm not being funny and I'm not a freak." KENYA HUNT

Trend-watching

The men's shows

From the looks of the Paris and Milan shows, men will have plenty to choose from in the way of tailoring and updated workwear classics come spring 2011. Dolce & Gabbana returned to its roots of Sicilian tailoring for their 20th anniversary show, with sharp black and white suits (is the three-piece making a comeback?) that could go from the office to the dinner club, while Prada gave the staple a more light-hearted, leaner treatment for daytime. And for her first collection as creative director of Alexander McQueen, Sarah Burton took the suit to a decidedly English place with reinterpretations of the morning suit and Victorian silhouettes. KENYA HUNT

▶ Dolce & Gabbana

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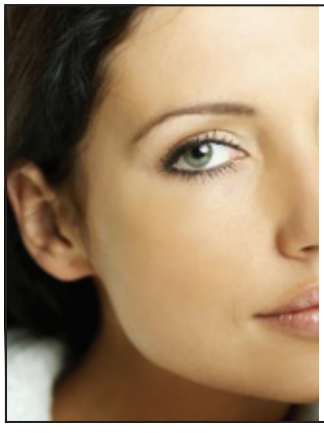
▶ Alexander McQueen



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Pomegranate has been having a moment as a superfood for a while now, but few know that the fruit is just as powerful when applied on the skin. These makeup removing wipes are infused with pomegranate extract, which shrinks pores and combats environmental skin damage. It's especially good for sensitive skin.
korres.com

2 L'OCCITANE ALMOND APPLE SWEET PEEL
$42

Ground up almond shells and oil, apple extract and apple cider vinegar make this a good all-natural facial exfoliant. And unlike many peels, this one leaves skin feeling smooth and hydrated, not tight and dry.
loccitane.com

3 PHILOSOPHY APRICOTS AND CREAM LOTION
$24

Apricots are a popular ingredient for homemade face masks because they add moisture to the skin. So it's only logical that it would be used in a body cream like this one. The fragrance of this lotion is a little on the sweet side, but it gives long-lasting hydration.
philosophy.com

4 LUBATTI GORGEOUS DAY MOISTURIZER HONEY AND ALMOND
$38

The honey and almond oils in this lightweight face cream gives parched, dry skin a nice soft, matte finish. It also works to soothe and even out irritated, splotchy skin.
spacenk.com
KENYA HUNT

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Men's pick

Surfer Cool
Keep the beach look long after you've returned to the office with Bumble and Bumble's Surf Spray. It allows you to recreate the same matte, chunky texture that you get after a day of riding waves.
RICHARD PECKETT

BUMBLE AND BUMBLE SURF SPRAY
$22
bumbleand bumble.com

Remix his style

Try brightening up your summer staples of a polo shirt and jacket with a pair of bright trousers and a statement bag.

RICHARD PECKETT

▶ NAME: Roy Luwolt
▶ OCCUPATION: Commercial partnership director at Universal Studios

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Mr. Pointy Cone Bra goes X-ray chic in Paris

Jean Paul Gaultier continues exploring underwear as outerwear Unveils his fall-winter collection

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▶ Dita von Teese performs during Gaultier's runway show.

Jean Paul Gaultier, who gave the world Madonna's pointy bra, showed an anatomical fall-winter 2010-11 haute couture collection yesterday of lean skirt suits and bustiers covered with rhinestone-encrusted femurs, tibias and ribs.

Dita Von Teese, the porcelain-skinned burlesque star, performed a mid-show strip tease, peeling off layer after layer of her sheer black gown till she was undressed literally down to the bone, wearing only a bustier that mapped out her skeleton.

"It was all about structure, about bringing the bones, the very foundation of what makes a garment, to the surface," Gaultier told reporters in a post-show interview. "It's about bones, but not in a ghost kind of way — unless we're talking about the ghost of couture," he joked.

There must be something in the water, because other Paris designers, from Givenchy's Riccardo Tisci to emerging French talent Julien Fournie also fielded this sort of X-ray chic this season. Gaultier was on-trend with the faux-nude bustier — complete with breasts and abs — and moulded out flesh-coloured leather.

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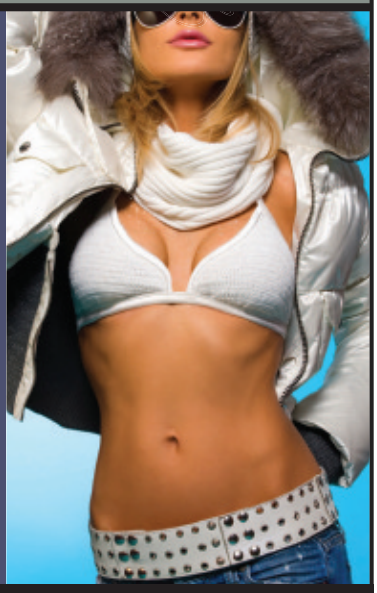

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Mounting your TV on a wall might save you a trip to the ER

TECHNOLOGY Nothing looks more impressive than a huge flat-screen TV mounted on the wall of your living room. Mounting your TV not only looks great, but did you know it's also safer than setting in on a piece of furniture?

Each year, emergency rooms treat thousands of people with TV-related injuries. Many of these patients are small children who have been hit or trapped beneath fallen flat screens.

To avoid accidental tipping and bumping, experts advise placing your TV securely on the wall and out of reach of little hands.

Wall mounts attach to the back of the TV display and then screw into wood studs in the wall. Mounts come with safety ratings to support screens up to a certain size and weight range. Sanus Systems manufactures mounts for all TV sizes and offers many attractive solutions for incorporating a wall mount into your home.

Don't want to put holes in your wall? Flat-panel stands are a hybrid mount and furniture stand. The TV secures to a solid base, which sits on the floor and also includes shelves for DVD players and other gear.

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▶ Blythwood at Huntington's washroom is 'classic, clean and ... understated so people can create their own calm, mellow feeling.'

A modern approach at Blythwood's suite

SUITE TALK

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
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Clean contrasts and outstanding finishes convey quality in Blythwood at Huntington's model suite.

Designer Alex Chapman worked with his team to meld traditional themes with a modern approach to create a model suite at the North York development that is as inviting as it is impressive.

"We wanted to do something classic and slightly traditional in flavour but at the same time we wanted it to have a contemporary cleanliness to it. I wanted it to have a strong contrast and feel fresh and approachable so people could really see themselves in this kind of environment," Chapman said.

Showing off real options for buyers was crucial for Chapman so all the finishes he used within the model suite are standard packages offered by the builder, including the hardwood floors and marble, granite and porcelain touches throughout.

In the kitchen, Chapman worked with the fabricator to create a custom cabinetry colour for the standard package reminiscent of sweet cream and softened the look further by hiding the fridge behind a panelled front.

"I wanted to balance the feel of the kitchen and not have all the appliances stand out so much. We wanted to convey quality, that there's a different side to living here," Chapman said.

In the bathroom, Chapman kept the unity of tone going and created an interplay between porcelain and marble that calms and soothes.

"The bathroom is classic and clean and keeping fairly understated so people can create their own calm, mellow feeling," Chapman said.

The vanity wall in the bathroom is a focal point of subtle elegance with chrome fixtures and undermounted sinks and features dual mirrors instead of a single large one.

"Rather than doing a wall-to-wall mirror we offer as standard two decorative mirrors — you get a more composed look and it's a sort of layering effect to give a sense of quality."

The lowdown

- Blythwood at Huntington
- Builder: Tridel
- Tridel.com
- Phone: 416-485-1900
- Available now
- Sizes & Pricing: 2-bdrm suites sized from 920 - 2,853 sq. ft. from the mid $500,000s to $2.5 million

Daniels FirstHome hits Brampton with a bang

Today, The Daniels Corporation is coming to Brampton with the much-anticipated preview sales event for their newest FirstHome Community, designed to make homeownership easy and affordable for today's first-time homebuyers.

After the successful FirstHome Destination Drive in Erin Mills this past spring — which sold out in hours — Daniels will introduce their eighth FirstHome Community: FirstHome Brampton.

Sales begin at 8 a.m. this Saturday on a first-come, first-served basis. This community aims to offer first-time buyers great homes in great locations with great prices.

Located off of Bramalea Road, just north of Sandalwood Parkway this community boasts 150 fully built one- and two-storey condominium townhomes priced from $159,900. Plus, buyers will benefit from Daniels' "build-it-first" concept, which is new to Brampton.

"By building these homes before we offer them for sale, purchasers can see which layout best suits their lifestyle needs," says Daniels' Vice President Don Pugh.

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▶ Artist's rendering of Daniels' FristHome Brampton.

They can be finicky and what you might like isn't always what they want ◗ With school out in these early summer months, it's a perfect time to take advantage of the kids' downtime to paint and decorate for the next few years

It's time to let the kids do some decorating

DECOR MOMENT

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A child's room is their haven; whether as a place to hang out with friends, chat online, watch TV or listen to music. I have helped many families decorate nurseries, children and teens' rooms, and I have learned a few things directly from the kids about decorating:

1 Girls don't always want pink walls; boys don't always want blue walls. As an alternative, try using complementary paint colours; paint a boy's room bright orange (hey, if its good enough for the guys at Home Depot…). Orange complements deep blues, greens and browns beautifully. Paint a girl's room deep charcoal grey — which looks fashionably fabulous — with accents of bright pinks, purples and lime greens. If you are a bit weary of painting their entire room a bold colour, just add it to the inside of their closet or all the doors of their room for impact and fun.

2 A newborn's nursery is not to be decorated for the baby, but for the caregiver. Face it, your baby will never remember the Pooh bear border. Consider a 5x7 Persian-style rug, a hanging chandelier, dark wood book cases or an antique dresser; things you might already have will help keep the budget low for the first few years. All your baby wants is a comfy crib, a hanging mobile and some soft lighting.

3 Kids have personalities. Kids are creative. Kids want to have input. Now the fun starts; buy a second hand dresser and paint it their favourite colour of high-gloss paint, slipcover an old chair in flannel cowboy and indian pajama material or add a crinoline tutu to a tired lampshade to give it a unique look.

Involve the kids

- Get your child involved in the decorating process; which colour of towels, bed sheets, lampshade would they like? Get them to hand-paint an old cardboard lampshade and use it in their room or fill a large bulletin board with their favourite images. The more of a say then the more proud they will be of their own room. Giving your kid a voice in decorating helps to promote creativity and gives them a sense of pride but I must warn you: It rarely helps in keeping the room tidy!

▶ Girls don't always want a pink room, boys don't always want blue, it's time to expand your colour horizons.

Tips on making walls fun

Walls are no longer just for hanging pictures on. Now you can turn your walls into a chalkboard, make it glow in the dark with a coat of paint, or even make it magnetic to play tic-tac-toe.

Whether you're decorating your child's bedroom or creating a playroom for the kids, don't be afraid to have a fun with your walls.

Turning a wall into a magnetic play space for your kids is easy if you follow these simple steps:

- Clean wall surface and allow to dry fully.
- Tape off the area, stir primer well.
- Apply multiple thin coats of Rust-Oleum Specialty Magnetic Primer, allow 30 minutes between coats of primer.
- Allow primer to dry for at least four hours then apply a top coat of any latex paint. NEWS CANADA

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▶ Your kids will love having a magnetic surface to play around with.

Widen the search

- Don't decorate your child's room strictly from the baby section of a store. Look for fun and whimsy lamps, pillows, art at stores more grown up then your child. Check out stores like Urban Outfitters, Ikea and Homesense for well priced stylish accessories. Carpet tiles are a great way to add pattern and colour to a kids room while creating a durable and replaceable surface to play. KARL LOHNES

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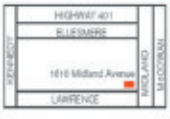

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It's time to set the mood

This season invest in some sexy wall scones, lots of candles and structured candle holders to up the ambience in your household

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Boosting a room's ambiance can make a space inviting, heighten a romantic moment, or calm a mood. Control your lighting and set it up in layers in order to add and subtract light levels and adjust the ambiance just right.

"(Lighting) definitely makes a huge difference in a room," says Cathy Miller, public relations for Crate and Barrel Canada. "I think when the lights are dimmer it signals down time, it automatically gives an emotional cue to people to slow down and take it easy, that they can relax — the opposite being alert and awake and work time."

Miller says to look for lamps that can take a three-way bulb or a dimmer switch for lights. Candles can be lit in abundance or just a few. Place them anywhere and play with levels — low on the coffee table, high on a window sill.

"When you light candles or dim the lights or arrange the lights a little bit different it shows you are thinking about the atmosphere and it's very welcoming to guests," says Miller. "I think a mix of both (candles and soft lighting) is ideal. Candles add a little mystery and a little excitement to the atmosphere. People can interact and see each other comfortably but the light level is reduced so it has an ambient feeling.

"Traditionally, people used to sit down at the dining table in front of tall tapered candles. Now you see a coffee table candle tray with a cluster of candles, (or) hurricanes and lanterns popping up in people's homes."

A room's environment can also be heightened through "softening the hard edges of the room," accessories that show some extra tender loving care — a few extra pillows, a soft throw for the sofa, fresh flowers and plants and scents, mirrors and definitely some mood-enhancing music. Candles however will always be the No. 1 go-to item to sprinkle a little passion into one's decor.

"(Candles are) sort of a miniature version of how people like to watch the flame in a fireplace."

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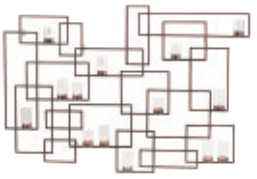
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Quick DIY projects for the summer

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If you find yourself inside a little too much this summer take advantage of it and tackle all those indoor projects. Keep your house or condo on trend this season without breaking the bank with a few quick and easy DIY projects.

Refurbish wooden furniture

Spruce up a coffee table, refinish a wardrobe or breathe new life into tired cabinets with a simple to apply stain, like Varathane premium foam stain that is easy to use and avoids messes created by traditional stain products. The non-drip foam stain is thick like whipped cream and can be applied vertically by rubbing onto the surface with a cloth. Be sure to sand and clean the surface thoroughly before applying. The stain is available in many different and popular colours like dark walnut and golden pecan.

Spice up accessories

Create a whole new look in your living spaces by changing the colours of key accessories like vases, mirror frames or even a bookcase. Pick bold, trendy colours like plum or navy blue and choose a no-fuss spray paint like Painter's Touch to ensure a smooth and vibrant finish on any surface.

Create a feature wall

Changing the colour of one wall in a room can change the entire look of the space. Whether you choose to paint or wallpaper, look for dramatic colours or patterns to create an eye-catching look.

"Changing the colour of one wall in a room can change the entire look of the space."

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Answer the call of the wild

Want to take a hike? Hit the trails? This season bring the outdoors inside with wild-themed decor

HANDOUT PHOTOS

Sampling a taste of the outdoors has never been closer to home — at least when it comes to decking out your space.

Whether it's birds, butterflies, driftwood or decorative sea-life accents inspired by coastal living, HomeSense spokeswoman Colleen Uncao says a key decor trend this season is the influence of natural elements.

"It could be in any different way through decorative pillows, whether it's a design on a pillow with birds or florals, but a lot of it is bringing in that nature from the outdoors in," she says.

But there are more ways to make a splash beyond heeding the call of the wild. Globally inspired chic from decorative jars to colourfully patterned rugs and plates can serve as focal points in your space.

"You don't have to worry about being too matchy-matchy," says Uncao. "As long as you have a really great piece that has an interesting shape, an interesting colour, then it works in your room."

For a quick summer refresh, a bright throw on a side chair or couch is an easy way to update a room's look, Uncao says.

In the bedroom, consider changing to white linens and adding in some additional bright accents, she suggests.

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▶ HomeSense spokeswoman Colleen Uncao says putting on white linens and adding accent pillows and bright colours to your bedroom is a great way to brighten your space for summer, while outdoor inspired prints on throw pillows is in this season.

Analysis

AGENCY AGREEMENTS

JEFF COWAN
REAL ESTATE LAWYER

Approximately two years ago, I signed a buyer's agency agreement with a realtor and over the subsequent few weeks, I discovered that I was not satisfied with the service I was being provided. I expressed my dissatisfaction and decided to change my agent. I subsequently engaged another agent and bought a property. After this occurred, I received a letter requesting the former buyer's agent commission because I was still under contract. What should I do?

Technically, in order to terminate an agency agreement, both parties have to be in agreement and some form of mutual release should be signed by all parties discharging everyone from their rights and obligations under the contract.

However, all is not lost in your case. If you kept the emails to your agent, and can substantially prove that they were not providing adequate service, you have a chance at convincing a judge that the agreement was null and void due to non-performance. In that case, you might even be able to claim damages. I suggest retaining counsel. Good luck.

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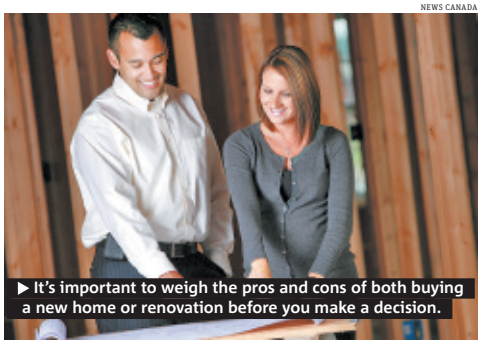

▶ It's important to weigh the pros and cons of both buying a new home or renovation before you make a decision.

Move out, or move up?

Homeowners often ask: Should I sell or renovate? When a home no longer meets your needs or you simply fall out of love with it, you may be looking for a change. But deciding what kind of change, renovating or moving altogether, is a big decision.

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Move to a new home pros

- Offers a fresh start;
- Allows you to address bigger issues.

Move to a new home cons

- Additional costs such as real estate fees, legal fees, land transfer tax and moving expenses;
- Green shag carpet may not be your taste.

Renovation pros

- Lets you keep what you like and change what you don't;
- Keeps your family from being uprooted.

Renovation cons

- Disruptive;
- Costs can be higher than expected.

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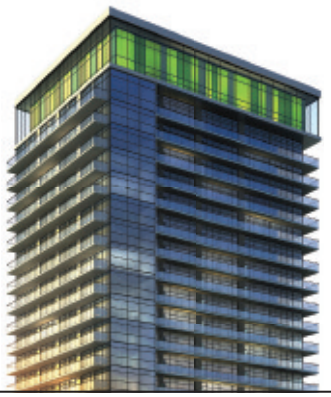

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Rooftop Surfing

STEPHEN DUPUIS

HERE'S THE BOTTOMLINE ON THE HST

The HST on new homes is actually more complicated for builders than it is for buyers, particularly until homes and condos under construction as of July 1 work their way through the system. From a homebuyer standpoint, given that virtually every builder will be including HST in the sales prices of the home or condo, it's really about comparing builder to builder and new homes to resale homes.

That said, while you might assume that since the federal GST is five per cent and the provincial PST is eight per cent, that the federal tax on your new home would be much less than the provincial tax, the truth is it's the other way around. On a $400,000 new home, the feds pocket $14,372 while Ontario's share is $7,561 after the applicable rebates.

The difference in the above example is that the federal government's new housing rebate is just 36 per cent of the GST payable to a maximum of $6,300 while Ontario's rebate is 75 per cent to a maximum of $24,000.

Under the GST, the rebate also gets clawed-back on homes priced over $350,000 and as soon as the price hits $450,000, the rebate disappears. That's right — if you buy a $450,000 house in Ontario, you get a $24,000 provincial rebate from the Province while you get zero from the federal government.

The other big difference between the federal and provincial approaches to taxing new homes is that Ontario only charges the maximum tax rate on the price increment over the $400,000 threshold whereas the feds charge the full rate on the full price as soon as you hit $450,001.

It's a shame that federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty didn't seize the opportunity created by sales tax harmonization to align with Ontario. It's time for Ottawa to take action to adopt the same graduated tax approach and threshold right across the country, federally and provincially, indexed on a go-forward basis.

Still confused over Ontario's HST?

If you have a question that's not addressed in this column you can e-mail Stephen at the address here.

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Grilled Chicken Sandwich

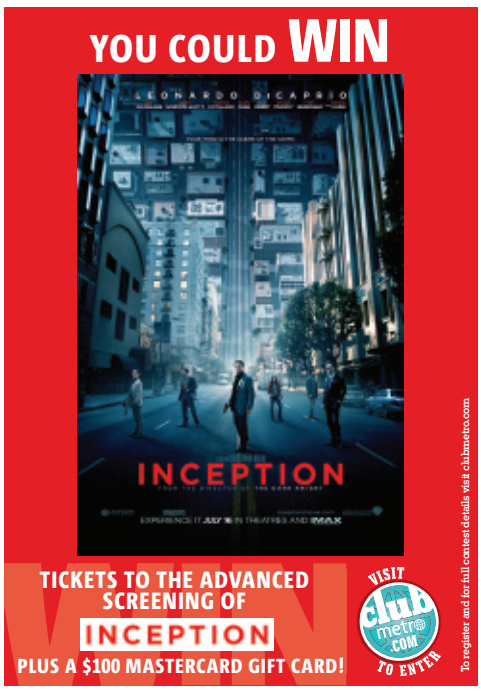
▶ A tasty grilled chicken sandwich

Ingredients :

- 1/4 cup sweet and mild condiment plus 2 tbsp sweet and mild condiment, plus extra for dipping
- 2 tbsp cider vinegar
- 2 tbsp honey
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tbsp cold water
- 3 boneless, skinless chicken breast
- 1 celery stalk
- 1/4 cup red onion
- 1/4 cup red bell pepper
- 1 green apple
- 1 tbsp fresh parsley
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 8 slices multi-grain bread
- Butter, softened
- 4 crisp leaves lettuce
- 4 slices ripe tomato
- 8 slices crispy fried bacon, kept warm
- 4 slices dill pickle

Preparation:

1. In a small bowl, whisk together 1/4 cup of the sweet and mild condiment, cider vinegar, honey, olive oil and water. Set aside. Season chicken breasts with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Set aside.
2. Preheat grill to medium high. Grill chicken breasts for 6 to 8 minutes per side until fully cooked, basting with condiment and honey mixture. Remove from grill and allow chicken breasts to fully cool before slicing thinly.
3. Combine sliced chicken, celery, red onion, red pepper, green apple, parsley, 2 tbsp of the condiment, mayonnaise, lemon juice and salt and pepper. Mix well.
4. Lightly butter one side of each slice of bread, then place a leaf of lettuce on buttered bread. Top with a quarter of the grilled chicken salad mixture, then add a slice of fresh tomato, 2 slices of crispy pan-fried bacon and top with a slice of bread. Repeat for remaining sandwiches. Garnish with a slice of dill pickle and serve with extra condiment for dipping.



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It's not about the money, it's about winning: Bosh

End of an era for Raptors as franchise player opts to join Heat to play alongside Wade

Chris Bosh is leaving Toronto for Miami, saying it's not about the money, but about winning.

Ending months of speculation, the former Raptors forward announced yesterday that he will sign with the Miami Heat, joining his good friend Dwyane Wade.

Both Wade and Bosh were part of this year's blockbuster free agent class that also includes LeBron James, who will announce his intentions on ESPN tonight.

It had long been expected that Bosh would not return to Toronto, but yesterday's announcement provided the confirmation.

In an interview with ESPN, Bosh said he wanted to land with a team that would compete for an NBA championship. In his seven years with Toronto, Bosh has only played in 11 playoff games.

"I think both Dwyane and I, we both wanted an opportunity where right away we would be competing," Bosh said.

"We're ready to sacrifice a lot of things in order to do that. It's not about the money. It's not about anything else except for winning. I'm a winner. Dwyane's a winner. We're going to bring winning to Miami."

"Thank you Toronto. I wouldn't be here without you all and I will miss you. Your support and love kept me going."
CHRIS BOSH VIA TWITTER

Bosh, 26, said leaving Toronto wasn't an easy decision.

"I've been there for seven years, it's pretty much my second home," Bosh said. "To leave that has been difficult, even throughout this whole process."

Still, Bosh seemed to be having fun as teams attempted to woo him, frequently posting his thoughts on Twitter.

"It's been an exciting time," he told ESPN. "It's been one of the biggest stories in sports. Just to be a part of that I felt that I had to enjoy it instead of maybe just trying to run away from everything. Instead of doing that, I embraced it."
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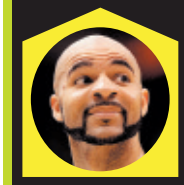
No comment

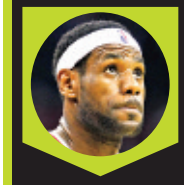
While the Raptors have said they were preparing for life after Chris Bosh, nobody from the team was saying much about Bosh's announcement yesterday

- "I have nothing official from anyone," Raptors general manager Bryan Colangelo said in a text message to the AP.
- A Raptors official said there would be no further comment from the team during the official signing moratorium, which ends today.

NBA Watch

Carlos Boozer is headed to the Chicago Bulls. A source told The Associated Press Boozer agreed to a deal with the Bulls and is leaving the Utah Jazz after six seasons.





The NBA — and seemingly the entire sports world — is preparing for LeBron James to announce which team he will sign with during a national TV appearance on ESPN. A network official said that announcement will come during the first 10 minutes of tonight's hour-long broadcast (TSN, 9 p.m. ET).
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▶ Dwyane Wade, right, gives U.S. teammate Chris Bosh a hand during the Beijing Olympics in 2008. The two are now teammates on the Miami Heat.

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Dutch look to stay 'mentally strong'

After defeat in their country's two previous World Cup finals, the Netherlands' players are determined to keep their focus Sunday.

The Dutch reached the 1974 and '78 finals with some of soccer's greatest players, but each time the host nation overturned the strutting Oranje.

After Tuesday's 3-2 win over Uruguay, coach Bert van Marwijk is determined to make sure that a six-game winning streak at this tournament does not bring out the traditional Dutch weakness of assuming the next victory is a foregone conclusion.

"We know we can play football," captain Giovanni van Bronckhorst said. "To be mentally strong is now most important."

Streaking

- The Dutch are on a record 25-game unbeaten streak that includes 10 straight wins.

Van Marwijk's memories of the 1974 tournament, when the Dutch thrilled the world only to then be beaten 2-1 by a single-minded German team, are too strong for him to let his players fall to the same weakness.

If they lose at Johannesburg's Soccer City, it won't be through lack of preparation.

"Often, when we start beating people, we become overly confident and then we are sent home," Van Marwijk said.

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Spain heads to Cup final

- Puyol's header secures first-ever World Cup final berth for Spain
- Date with the Netherlands set for Sunday

SPAIN	GERMANY
1	0

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▶ Spain's Carles Puyol, front, scores with a header yesterday.

Carles Puyol soared high to head in the goal that sent Spain into the World Cup final for the first time with a 1-0 win over Germany yesterday.

In a rematch of the 2008 European Championship final that Spain won by the same score, Puyol leaped in the centre of the area in the 73rd minute to score from Xavi Hernandez's corner kick, finally giving Spain the lead after having dominated from the opening whistle.

"The group deserves this but we want more," said Spain striker David Villa, who is tied with Netherlands playmaker Wesley Sneijder for the tournament scoring lead with five goals each. "We are happy to be in the final, that was our objective, but now we want to be champions."

Spain's best previous World Cup finish was fourth in 1950, when the final round consisted of a four-team group.

In Sunday's final at Soccer City, Spain will meet the Netherlands, which has also never won soccer's biggest trophy.

Spain controlled throughout with its precision passing game, playing just the way it hoped to, but had trouble finishing until Puyol's late strike.

At the final whistle, Puyol raised his arms in triumph as goalkeeper Iker Casillas jumped on the centre back's shoulders.

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Sports in brief

Ferguson gets big deal: Report

NFL. Pro Bowl left tackle D'Brickashaw Ferguson agreed yesterday to terms on a contract extension with the New York Jets, a person familiar with the deal told The Associated Press. The deal is reportedly worth $60 million US over six years.

Peavy on DL

MLB. Chicago White Sox right-hander Jake Peavy was put on the 15-day disabled list because of a detached muscle in the back of his right shoulder, an injury that will almost certainly end his season.

Durant re-ups with Thunder

NBA. Kevin Durant didn't go for a spectacle in announcing where he will be for the next five years. Instead, Durant simply posted an update on his Twitter page yesterday, saying he had agreed to a five-year contract extension with the Oklahoma City Thunder.

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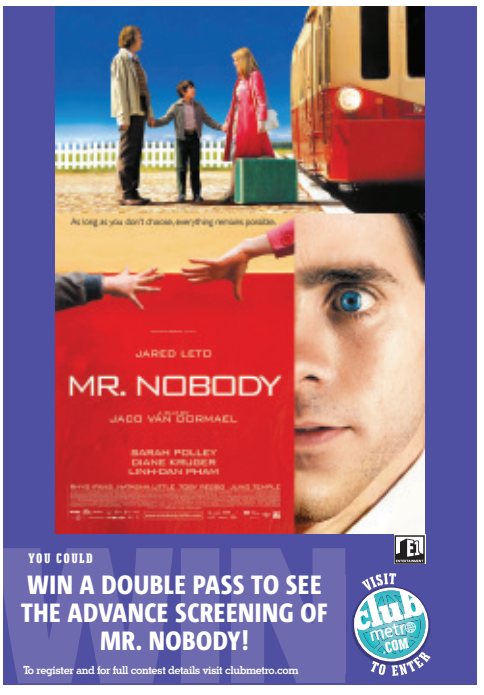

Wells breaks out of funk to save Blue Jays

Outfielder delivers key hit in win over Twins

TWINS	BLUE JAYS
5	6

▶ The Jays celebrate last night's win over the Twins.

CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Vernon Wells snapped an 0-for-21 drought last night with a tiebreaking RBI double in the seventh inning, and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Minnesota Twins 6-5.

Reliever Scott Downs (3-5) picked up the win and Matt Guerrier (1-5) took the loss. Kevin Gregg pitched the ninth for his 19th save.

The Blue Jays had a solo home run from Alex Gonzalez and a two-run inside-the-park home run from Jose Bautista to end a three-game losing streak before a Rogers Centre crowd of 14,886.

The Twins took a 5-4 lead in the top of the seventh on Orlando Hudson's triple that gave him three RBIs on the game. The former Blue Jay also hit a two-run homer in the fourth.

The Blue Jays tied it on a triple by Fred Lewis and a sacrifice fly by Gonzalez in the bottom of the seventh. A walk to Bautista set up the big hit by Wells, who did not start the previous two games because of a virus. He struck out as a pinch-hitter in Tuesday's game.

Toronto left-hander Marc Rzepczynski allowed four runs and eight hits across 5⅔ innings in his first start of the season for Toronto.

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Scoreboard

BASEBALL

AL EAST

	W	L	Pct	GB
NEW YORK	52	31	.627	-
TAMPA BAY	51	33	.607	1.5
BOSTON	49	36	.576	4
TORONTO	42	43	.494	11
BALTIMORE	25	59	.298	27.5

AL CENTRAL

	W	L	Pct	GB
DETROIT	46	37	.554	-
CHICAGO	44	38	.537	1.5
MINNESOTA	45	39	.536	1.5
KANSAS CITY	38	46	.452	8.5
CLEVELAND	33	50	.398	13

AL WEST

	W	L	Pct	GB
TEXAS	49	34	.590	-
LOS ANGELES	46	40	.535	4.5
OAKLAND	41	44	.482	9
SEATTLE	34	49	.410	15

Yesterday's results

Toronto 6 Minnesota 5
Detroit 4 Baltimore 2
Tampa Bay 6 Boston 4
Cleveland at Texas
L.A. Angels at Chicago White Sox
N.Y. Yankees at Oakland
Kansas City at Seattle

Today's games

L.A. Angels at Chicago White Sox, 2:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

NL EAST

	W	L	Pct	GB
ATLANTA	50	35	.588	-
NEW YORK	47	38	.553	3
PHILADELPHIA	43	40	.518	6
FLORIDA	39	44	.470	10
WASHINGTON	38	47	.447	12

NL CENTRAL

	W	L	Pct	GB
CINCINNATI	49	37	.570	-
ST. LOUIS	45	38	.542	2.5
CHICAGO	37	47	.440	11
MILWAUKEE	37	47	.440	11
HOUSTON	33	51	.393	15
PITTSBURGH	30	53	.361	17.5

NL WEST

	W	L	Pct	GB
SAN DIEGO	49	35	.583	-
LOS ANGELES	46	37	.554	2.5
COLORADO	45	38	.542	3.5
SAN FRANCISCO	43	40	.518	5.5
ARIZONA	32	52	.381	17

Yesterday's results

Atlanta 7 Philadelphia 5
Cincinnati 3 N.Y. Mets 1
Washington 7 San Diego 6
Pittsburgh at Houston
San Fran at Milwaukee
St. Louis at Colorado
Chi Cubs at Arizona
Florida at L.A. Dodgers

Today's games

Pittsburgh at Houston, 2:05 p.m.
San Fran at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
San Diego at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
Florida at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
Chi Cubs at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

Jays Wednesday box score

MINNESOTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
SPAN CF	4	2	2	0	0	0	.277
O.HUDSON 2B	4	1	3	3	0	1	.277
MAUER C	4	1	1	0	0	2	.301
MORNEAU 1B	4	0	2	0	0	1	.345
REPKO RF	0	0	0	0	0	0	.400
CUDDYER RF-1B	3	0	0	0	1	2	.261
KUBEL DH	3	0	0	1	0	1	.261
DELM.YOUNG LF	4	1	1	1	0	0	.306
VALENCIA 3B	4	0	1	0	0	0	.327
HARDY SS	3	0	1	0	0	0	.221
A-THOME PH	1	0	0	0	0	0	.261
TOTALS	**34**	**5**	**11**	**5**	**1**	**7**	

TORONTO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
F.LEWIS LF	4	1	1	0	0		0.280
ALE.GONZALEZ SS	3	1	1	2	0		2.256
J.BAUTISTA RF	2	2	2	2	2		0.238
V.WELLS CF	4	0	1	1	0		0.272
LIND DH	4	0	1	0	0		1.206
J.BUCK C	4	1	1	0	0		0.269
OVERBAY 1B	4	0	1	0	0		1.244
ENCARNACION 3B	4	0	1	1	0		1.213
J.MCDONALD 2B	3	1	1	0	0		0.222
TOTALS	**32**	**6**	**10**	**6**	**2**	**5**	

MINNESOTA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
SLOWEY	6 1-3	9	5	5	1	4
GUERRIER L,1-5	BS,4-5 1-3	1	1	1	1	0
DUENSING	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
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One heartbreaking loss in overtime is hardly a harbinger of a great team's decline, but the Montreal Alouettes could be showing signs of slipping from their position as the CFL's dominant team. The Als' season-opening loss in Saskatchewan, which included a blown 21-point, third-quarter lead, was a sloppy start for a team looking to defend its Grey Cup title.

Yes, Mosaic Stadium in Regina is the toughest place for a visiting team to play, and the Riders and their fans have been starving for revenge since last November's championship game. Still, there is cause for concern.

It was surprising to see Anthony Calvillo, the CFL's elder statesman, lose track of downs, which cost his team a field goal. But the defence also looks confused after some key departures following last season. Giving up 54 points is deplorable, even against the Riders' high-octane offence.

The Toronto Argos will need everyone on board to have any success this season with rookie starter Cleo Lemon at the helm. That didn't happen in Week 1. Jeremaine Copeland and Chad Owens both fumbled, and a number of dropped passes added to Lemon's misery during a 192-yard passing performance during a loss to Calgary.

"When you have a young quarterback, you can't do that," warned head coach Jim Barker.

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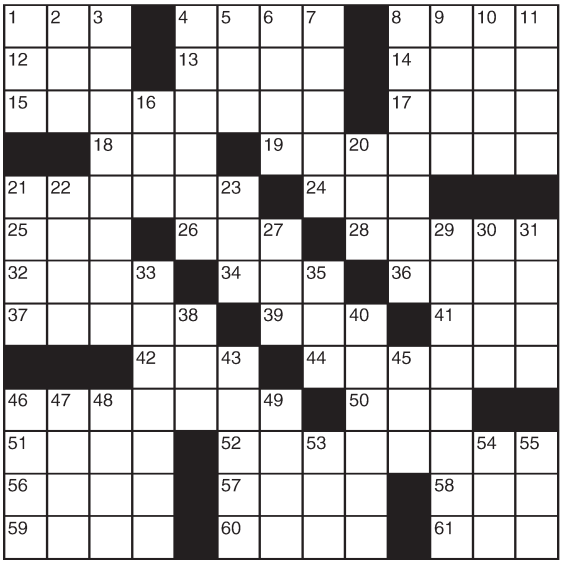

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1 Billboards
4 Depths
8 Employer
12 Drunkard
13 Settled down
14 Monad
15 Sit astride
17 Mentor
18 Help
19 Reduced in status
21 Loathing
24 Filch
25 Census statistic
26 Tease
28 Entourage
32 Anger
34 "Golly!"
36 Sgt. Snorkel's dog
37 Wood nymph
39 "CSI" evidence
41 Skedaddled
42 Tear
44 Spreads outward
46 Bedtime wear
50 Corral
51 Oil cartel
52 Linear
56 Son of Adam and Eve
57 Amount of booty
58 — de cologne
59 Gaelic
60 Brother of 56-Across
61 Spinning meas.

Down
1 Foolish sort
2 Speck
3 Tactic
4 Firetruck need
5 On in years
6 Untamed
7 Handle the helm
8 Imaginary object of fear
9 Responsibility
10 Paddock papa
11 Poker variety
16 Atmosphere
20 Jazz style
21 Difficult
22 Culture medium
23 Wield a shovel
27 Foundation
29 Alien
30 Remain
31 A very long time
33 Otalgia
35 Type measures
38 Not bright
40 Shock
43 Turkish bigwig of yore
45 Mainlander's memento
46 Sit for a photo
47 Mimic
48 "West Side Story" gang
49 Attempt
53 Actress Sara
54 General Arnold of WWII
55 Belly, slangily

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Sudoku

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	5				2			
1		3				7		5
			9				4	
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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

6	8	1	3	4	9	2	7	5
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5	7	3	1	6	2	8	9	4
8	1	5	9	3	6	4	2	7
7	4	6	2	8	1	5	3	9
9	3	2	4	7	5	1	8	6
1	9	4	6	2	3	7	5	8
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ADCD

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ANDREITA;)

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You will be on top form today. However you must be careful not to come across as too domineering. Be the best but don't be arrogant about it.

♉ Taurus April 23-May 21 Today some of your insights might owe more to wishful thinking than to genuine intuition. Be smart: get a second opinion before you act on your ideas.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 You may need to give up a certain amount of your independence and let friends and colleagues guide you in the right direction, but if you do you will accomplish great things over the next 24 hours, and the next few days.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Everything seems to be coming easy to you now and most of what you desire is yours for the asking. Will there be a price to pay for all this good fortune? Maybe, but it's a price you are more than willing to pay.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 If you experience an energy shortfall today you must take the hint and not push yourself too hard. You may be a livewire Leo but you have limits like everyone else.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Anyone who tries to uncover what you want to remain hidden will be told in no uncertain terms to mind their own business. Your blunt attitude may not win too many friends.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Something you desire will be offered to you on a plate today and, of course, that will immediately get you wondering what strings are attached. Nothing comes for free.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Your confidence is high, but take care you don't go too far and start believing that nothing can go wrong for you. Too much confidence is rarely a good thing.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 This is not the kind of day when you can sit back and let good things come to you. You need to have a clearly defined goal and you need to make an effort. The question is: can you be bothered?

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Your no-nonsense approach will cut through all the emotional garbage that others are trying to lay on you. You don't care about feelings, you care about facts.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 There is something you really want, something you desire more than anything else, but up until now you have been unable to get it. That could change soon.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Isn't it about time that you relaxed and started to feel more positive about yourself? Good things are coming your way and they could even be great things around Sunday.
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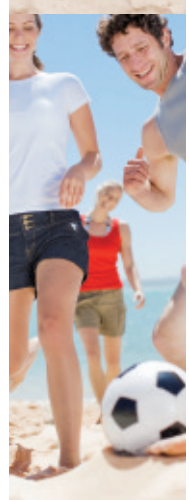

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